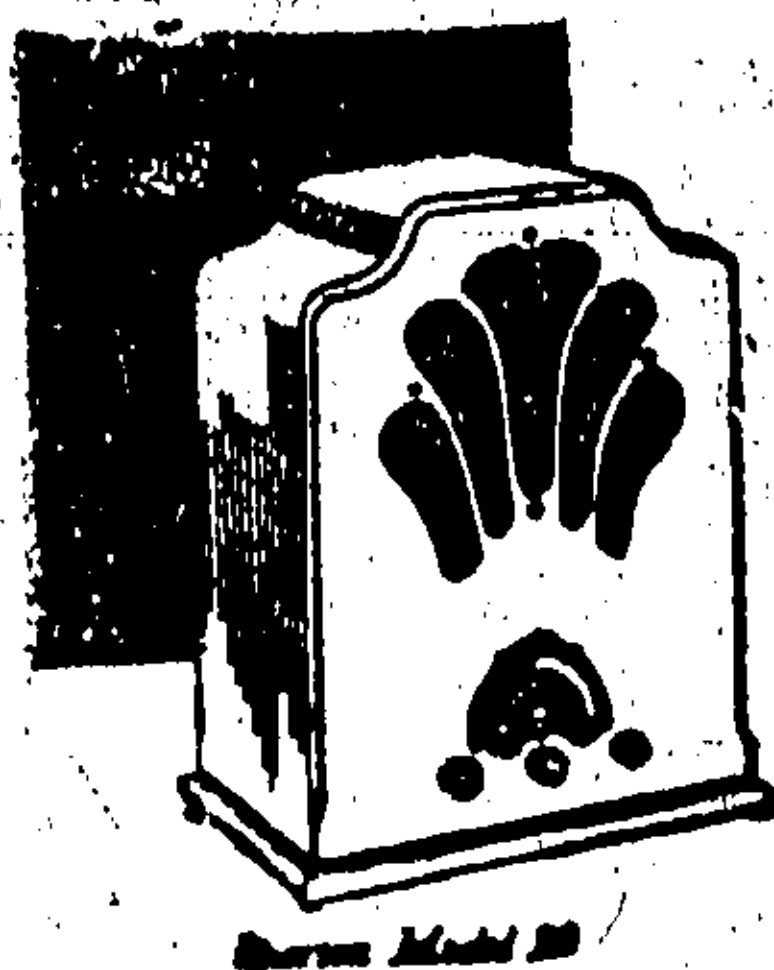




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INTERPORT TO-MORROW

RAIN STOPS IN SHANGHAI.

Mitchell Recovers But Is Uncertain Starter.

TREMENDOUS INTEREST.

Hong Kong Eleven's Youth.

(From Our Own Staff Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Bright sunshine is drying the grounds and it will be possible to play to-morrow.

Capt. E. J. R. Mitchell, skipper of the Hong Kong team, has recovered from his attack of influenza but it is not certain that he is well enough to play. In a leader, the North China Daily News discusses the prospects of the match which will decide whether Shanghai can even the series or else concede Hong Kong a 16-14 lead. The leader summarises the game as a contest between Hong Kong youth against the Shanghai experience.

Tremendous interest is being taken in the game and record attendances are expected if the weather remains fine.

EMPIRE DAY FAIR ENTHUSIASM HON. MR. BRAGA ASSURED OF ITS SUCCESS

CANADIAN COMMISSIONER SHARES OPTIMISM.

WILL CAUSE A BOOM IN BRITISH GOODS

Enthusiastic assurance of the success of the Empire Day Fair, which opens on Monday, was expressed in an interview with a "China Mail" representative, this morning, by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Chairman of the Fair Committee, who said that this is the first time that such a Fair was being held in Hong Kong, and its organisers were meeting with whole-hearted support from all sections of the community.

Optimism regarding success of the Fair was also expressed by Major V. E. Duclos, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner.

THE CANADIAN EXHIBITS.

"There is every reason to believe that the Empire Products Fair which will be held on Empire Day, next week, will be an unqualified success," Major V. E. Duclos, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner told the China Mail this morning.

"I am hoping that it will be an annual fair," he said, "and there is some talk of a permanent Empire Exhibition, but nothing definite has yet been arranged."

In regard to the arrangement for the coming fair, Major Duclos said that everything had now been decided upon. The whole of the ground floor of the Peninsula Hotel (Continued on Page 6)

He emphasised that the whole of the work connected with the organisation if the Fair was being undertaken voluntarily, and that the efforts were those of amateurs with no previous experience, but one and all of the workers were putting their hearts and souls into the work, and Mr. Braga is confident that the Fair will prove to be a success.

Immediate Effects.

Asked if he expected immediate effects on Empire trade and the marketing here of more British goods as the result of the Fair, Mr. Braga replied that he was decidedly of that opinion.

As a matter of fact, he said, firms in Hong Kong were already making arrangements for a show on a much larger scale next year. This enthusiasm was all to the good, and most encouraging.

As an example of the enthusiasm which has been shown here, Mr. Braga said that the Canadian Government's Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, has already arranged with his Government for a consignment of pedigree seed potatoes to be sent here as a gift from the Canadian Government to Hong Kong. These seed potatoes, on arrival here, will be distributed to the farmers in the New Territories, and Mr. Braga said that it is hoped that as the result of this generous gift from the Canadian Government, a very high class strain of potatoes will be cultivated in the New Territories.

Mr. Braga said that the whole of the British Empire will be represented at the Fair which is opening on Monday, but most particularly the British Isles, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, British India, Hong Kong and the following parts of the Empire:—

Picturesque Feature.

A picturesque feature connected with the opening ceremony, said Mr. Braga, will be a Tableau representing the British Empire. This Tableau, he said, will flank the dais (Continued on Page 6.)

STOP PRESS

48 Missing from Philippin.

Aden, Yesterday. The number from the Philippin missing is now 48.

Another survivor, Madame Dubot has been found. These missing include the journalist, Albert London, a lawyer, Joyeux from Hong Kong, Madame Berg and Vigne, The Hakone Maru and the Panin-sula Boat, Comorin. Are continuing some survivors from here to Marseilles.

MIDDLESEX SCORE 484

Defeat Glamorgan in Two Days.

AN INNINGS AND 193 RUNS.

Hearne, 176; Peebles 6 for 49.

London, To-day.

The strong Middlesex team required only two days to dispose of lowly Glamorgan and thus gain full points towards the English county cricket championship.

Against an attack that seldom looked dangerous, Middlesex compiled the huge score of 484, giving them the victory by an innings and 193 runs.

J. W. Hearne, the veteran professional, struck form which recalled his triumphs of a few seasons ago. Going in first wicket down he soon mastered the bowling, and although he was sound rather than brilliant, he scored freely all round the wicket. J. Lee also batted attractively and was unlucky in missing his century.

Although the two professionals took the main honours all the batsmen secured runs and it appears that Middlesex may maintain some semblance of consistency this year. With so many prominent amateurs available the county has one of the strongest elevens, on paper, in the country.

Mr. J. Turnbull is unfortunately placed this season and with the loss of two of their best professionals Glamorgan will find it difficult to gain points. The Welsh batting failed dismally against the strong and varied Middlesex attack, two innings realising only 291 runs.

I. A. R. Peebles, the international slow bowler, has had a strenuous year, which includes two cricketing tours, but he retains his form remarkably well. In the second innings he ran through the Glamorgan batsmen, taking six wickets for 49 runs.

Scores as cable by Reuter are: Middlesex: 484 (Hearne 176, Lee 93). Glamorgan: 162 and 129 (Peebles 6 for 49).

THEFT OF A TELEPHONE.

Charged with the theft of a desk telephone, the property of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, Ma Hung-ying (32), stated to be unemployed, pleaded guilty before Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, and was fined \$75 or six weeks' hard labour in default.

BRITISH AID FOR SOUTH AMERICAN BANK

ASSETS OF £7,000,000 TO BE TAKEN OVER

DECISION ALLAYS STOCK EXCHANGE FEARS.

SUBJECT TO GUARANTEE

London, Yesterday.

The recent Stock Exchange concern for the position of a British bank with assets, according to the last balance sheet, of £70,000,000 and a capital of £5,500,000, has been allayed by an official statement that an arrangement in principle has been concluded whereby a group of banks headed by the Bank of England will take over certain assets of the Anglo-South American Bank, totalling £7,000,000, connected with the railway industry which at present is under liquidation.

(Continued on Page 6.)

JAPANESE CRISIS.

National Cabinet Necessary.

ARMY'S INTIMATION.

Baron Hiranuma Likely Premier.

Tokyo, To-day.

General Muto, Director-General of Military Education, and Lieut.-General Mazaki, Vice-Chief of the General Staff, visited General Araki this morning and intimated that the Army is not prepared to support a purely party Cabinet as it is convinced that only a National Cabinet is able to command confidence. The support of the Nation is necessary to bring the country safely through the present crisis. Indications are that Baron Hiranuma is likely to be summoned to form a Cabinet to-morrow. — Reuter.

"Drastic Purging."

Tokyo, Yesterday.

According to a well-informed source, the report that General Araki and Mr. Suzuki have (Continued on Page 6.)

GREEK FOREIGN DEBTS.

Representations by France and Italy.

TRANSFER OF DEPOSITS.

London, Yesterday.

Similar representations to those put forward by the British Minister at Athens concerning the service of Greece's foreign debts were to-day made by the French and Italian Ministers to the Greek Foreign Minister.

It is understood that they supported the view of the International Financial Commission regarding the question of authority to transfer sums deposited for interest service. — British Wireless Service.

DAIL PASSES BILL TO ABOLISH OATH

MOTION APPROVED BY 77 TO 69

DE VALERA SECURES LABOUR SUPPORT.

LONDON REACTION AWAITED

Dublin, Yesterday.

The Bill for the Abolition of the Oath of Allegiance passed its final stage in the Free State Dail to-day. The voting was:—

For 77
Against 69

Majority 8

On May 4 the Dail, in the Committee stage, passed the Bill by 77 votes to 67, which practically ensured its adoption. An article on the Irish Treaty by Sir Austen Chamberlain appears on page 7 of this issue.

President de Valera, in guiding the Bill through the stormy stages of the second reading claimed that the abolition of the Oath would not constitute repudiation of the Anglo-Irish Treaty Oath to H.M. the King, but would merely effect the removal of "dead timber."

"Unilateral Action."

Asked in the House of Commons on May 5 whether he would consider the advisability of submitting the dispute over the treaty with the Irish Free State to a specially constituted Court of Appeal of an International Court, Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Secretary for the Dominions, replied that Mr. De Valera had deliberately chosen to propose the abolition of the Parliamentary oath from the Irish Free State, which was a constitutionally unilateral action.

Mr. Thomas added in reply to a supplementary question:— "The matter in dispute is the

Treaty agreement between the two parties. It is customary when there are differences of opinion for one or the other to ask for a consultation to discuss them.

Breach of Treaty.

"Mr. De Valera, without consultation or intimation of any kind, proposes to break his side of the Treaty. It is not for us as a Government, being the other party to the Treaty, to do other than call attention to the fact that he has broken the Treaty."

On a later occasion Mr. Thomas warned Mr. de Valera that if the Bill to abolish the Oath were passed, the British Government might refuse to enter into negotiations with the Free State in the matter of the Imports Duty Act.

Mr. George Lansbury, Leader of the Opposition, urged the Government to wait until the Bill had reached its final stages, when he would ask for a debate.

BANDIT MENACE IN HARBIN.

Russian Rail Workers Kidnapped.

URGENT APPEAL FOR TROOPS.

Evacuation of Women and Children.

Harbin, Yesterday.

Bandits raided Hengtachotze, on the eastern section of the C.E.R., and kidnapped 10 Russians and 13 Chinese employees of the railway, according to a message from an engineer who eluded capture.

The message appeals for the despatch of troops to the scene and urges the evacuation of all women and children. It continues to say that if the troops arrive too late the other railway employees will be either kidnapped or killed.

A body of six hundred bandits are now occupying Lidahotze, where they wounded the wife of the assistant station master. Reuter.

The anti-Chinese forces, who have made repeated attempts to capture Sungren, near Harbin, are showing signs of exhaustion and the bandits have now gradually withdrawn. — Reuter.

IRAK AND THE LEAGUE.

Wants to Qualify As A Member.

BRITISH MANDATE TO TERMINATE.

Foreigners' Interests to Be Protected.

London, Yesterday.

The League of Nations Council at Geneva to-day approved a report providing that as soon as Iraq has accepted conversion covering the various guarantees recommended by Permanent Mandates Commission, Britain can terminate her mandate and Iraq become an independent member of the League.

Iraq will thus be qualified for admission at the next Plenary Assembly in September, as she is prepared to accept the draft declaration.

In this she undertakes to guarantee protection for racial, linguistic and religious minorities, the protecting of foreigners' legal interests, the guaranteeing of financial obligations, and "contracted" before the Mandate ends, the protection of religious missions, respect for international conventions, and most favourable treatment to the League members for 10 years. — British Wireless Service.

OVER 700 SURVIVORS OF GEORGES PHILIPPAR

HOPES ENTERTAINED FOR THOSE MISSING

ANXIETY OVER FATE OF NOTED JOURNALIST.

RETURNING FROM CHINA VISIT

Paris, Yesterday.

The survivors of the French liner Georges Philippar number 717, according to information received at the Messageries Maritimes office here.

Trustworthy estimates have placed the number aboard at 767, but it appears that 12 intending passengers from Saigon did not join the ship, thereby reducing the complement to 755.

It is still hoped that the list of the saved is not final, as there are a few additional names still being received from Aden and Djibouti, and it is possible that some rescues were effected by coasting steamers and African craft.

Mr. Georges Philippar, the Chairman of Messageries Maritimes, after whom the ill-fated vessel was named, was on holiday at Quimper when the news of the disaster was received. He immediately hurried to Marseilles.

Deep anxiety is felt in journalistic circles as to the fate of M. Albert London, a noted journalist who has been visiting China on behalf of Le Jour-nal. — Reuter.

ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

OFFICIAL SOURCES.

"CUBAN LOVE SONG."

Singing a duet with himself is the remarkable feat accomplished by Lawrence Tibbett, famous screen and opera star, in "The Cuban Love Song," the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture which will open on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

So great is the range of Tibbett's voice that this strange trick was made possible.

In the scene Tibbett sees himself in a former day, in a vision. He and the vision of himself in his youth sing together.

Tibbett first sang the baritone part, which was recorded on sound track. Then, synchronized to this, he sang a tenor part. The two were then played simultaneously and recorded. The amazing result was a duet—in two parts—by the same voice. It has never been attempted before. Only a voice with the range of the Metropolitan baritone's could make it possible. And what is more remarkable, he could easily have added a bass and second baritone to it.

Lupe Velez, the heroine, dances the Rumba. Among Tibbett's songs are "Halls of Montezuma," official Marine Corps song, "The Cuban Love Song," "Tramps at Sea" and others.

W. S. Van Dyke directed the picture with a notable cast that includes Ernest Torrence, Jimmy Durante, Karen Morley, Louise Fazenda, Hale Hamilton, Mathilda Comont and Phillip Cooper.

"77 PARK LANE."

One of the "extras" working in an important sequence of "77 Park Lane," the thrilling British talkie which comes to-morrow to the Central Cinema, was a woman with a private income of \$50,000 a year! Her pay for working in the sequence, which took a week to film, was a guinea a day.

The reason for this strange behaviour on the part of the rich but eccentric lady was a passion for gambling, only equalled by her passion for the films and everything connected with them. She spends most of her time on the Riviera, and is a well-known figure at the casinos of Monte Carlo, Nice, Cannes and other nearby resorts, having won the reputation of being one of the most daring gamblers at the tables.

When Albert de Courville was planning the gambling den sequence in "77 Park Lane," the lady was in London and heard about it. She promptly got in touch with Mr. de Courville and asked to be permitted to take part in the film as a gambler, so that for seven days she would be able to indulge her two special fads, gambling and films, at the same time.

Mr. de Courville was impressed by the request, and was delighted to comply with it, as it was his desire to achieve perfection of atmosphere above all in this particular scene. He is an expert on gambling haunts, and it was his belief that a crowd composed entirely of ordinary film "extras" would not be able to convey the correct atmosphere. Many of the other "gamblers" in the scene were former or present habitués of continental casinos, all specially engaged by Mr. de Courville.

"SUNSHINE SUSIE."

It may be something of a coincidence, but the return of the Eros statue to Piccadilly Circus almost coincided with the height of the vogue of the "Sunshine Susie" premiere run. The little god with the arrow seems to personify the spirit of the "Happy" song, one of the most memorable musical numbers in a British film that has never surpassed in popularity yet. "Sunshine Susie," which is now showing at the King's Theatre, brings to the screen the most captivating of German musical comedy actresses—Miss Renate Muller, who sings and acts delightfully, and who has great personality.

Jack Hulbert, also, has the finest roles of his career in that of Herr Hasel, the bank commissionaire who conducts a beer-garden choir in his leisure, and whose songs and antics yield hilarity in fullest measure.

The Duke and Duchess of York are among many distinguished folk who have succumbed to "Susie's" many-sided charm.

"HINDLE WAKES"

"Hindle Wakes" which is coming to the King's Theatre next Sunday derives its title from a very ancient Anglo-Saxon custom, essentially religious in its origin. The "wake" of old time was an annual celebration to commemorate the completion or consecration of a parish church. Tents and booths were set up in the churchyard, after which an all-night service of prayer and meditation was followed by a general holiday, devoted to feasting, dancing and sports.

As time went on "wakes," however, degenerated into fairs, and even so early as Edgar's reign, 958-975, records speak of their revelry and drunkenness as having become a scandal. Henry VI, in 1445, made some attempt to restrict their licence by suppressing them on Sundays and holy days, but the Stuarts viewed them with more latitude. Nowadays, the name for these festivals survives chiefly in Lancashire.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme.

7.05-7.15 p.m.—The Jolly Robbers—Overture (Suppe), The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band (DX298).

7.15-9 p.m. (approx.)—Relay of "Sunshine Susie" from the King's Theatre by courtesy of the Management.

9-9.25 p.m.—Operatic.
Samson and Delilah—Fair Spring is Returning (Saint Saens & Oudin), Clara Serena (Contralto) (DX245).

Die Meistersinger—Overture (Wagner), Bruno Walter & Symphony Orchestra (DX288).

The Flying Dutchman—Erik's Song (Wagner), Francis Russell (Tenor) (DX245).

Mignon—Overture (Thomas), Milan Symphony Orchestra (DX288).

9.25-9.50 p.m.—Waltzes.
Vienna Maidens (Ziehrer), Nights of Fragrance (Ziehrer), New Concert Orchestra (DX288).

Waltzes from Vienna—For We Love You Still (Words, Carter; Music, Strauss), Marie Burke (Soprano) (DX288).

Waltzes from Vienna—Love and War (Words, Carter; Music, Strauss), Dennis Noble and Chorus (DX288).

Roses of the South (J. Strauss), Wiener Blut (J. Strauss), Johann Strauss & Symphony Orchestra (DX288).

9.50-10.27 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
White Horse Inn—Vocal Gems, Columbia Light Opera Co. (DX251).

Drury Lane Memories.
Regal Cinema Orchestra (DX247).

Bitter Sweet—Vocal Gems, Columbia Light Opera Co. (DX251).

The Land of Smiles—Selection, London Theatre Orchestra (DX252).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.
All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

LOCAL BILLS.

Readings Passed at Council Meeting.

The following Bills, which were proposed by the Hon. Attorney-General and seconded by the Hon. Colonial Secretary, passed their first reading at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council:—

A Bill to amend the Vaccination Ordinance, 1923. A Bill to amend the Employers and Servants Ordinance, 1902. A Bill to amend the Military Stores (Exportation) Ordinance, 1902. A Bill to amend the law relating to the Registration of Birth and Deaths. A Bill to regulate the employment of Young Persons and Children at Sea. A Bill to amend the Importation and Exportation Ordinance, 1915. A Bill to amend the United Kingdom Designs (Protection) Ordinance, 1928. The following bill passed through its final stages yesterday:—

A Bill to amend further the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884.

Proposed by the Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, and seconded by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, "A Bill to provide for the incorporation of the Directors of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong," was read a first time.

On the proposal of the Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, seconded by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of St. Stephen's College" passed its first reading.

FUNG MURDER TRIAL.

Deceased Married and Divorced.

BROTHER GIVES EVIDENCE.

At the resumption of the trial of Cheng Kwok-yau (20) member of a wealthy Ipoh family, who is charged with the instigation of the murder of George Fung at Village Road on March 24 last, at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon, Maurice Fung, brother of the deceased, gave remarkable evidence, before Mr. Wynne-Jones and a crowded Court.

In reply to Mr. G. K. Hall-Brutton, for the defence, the witness admitted that he knew his brother, George, had been married in 1928 and was divorced, but he knew nothing of his relations with other women, or of the source of the deceased's income. He added that George received occasional allowances from members of the family, and that he (witness) was on friendly terms with deceased.

Hearing Adjourned.

Tai Kwai-ching, an amah employed by the murdered man and Miss Lai Ming-fay, gave testimony as to the relations between the two.

After further formal evidence had been given, the hearing was adjourned to 2.30 to-day, when, it is expected that the Crown will call Edward Zimmerman, indicated as one of the two men arrested and held in custody by the Police.

DEATH ENQUIRY AT KOWLOON.

Murder of Indian Constable Recalled.

The death of Jawala Singh, Police Constable, B120, who was found shot at Shamshui-po on the morning of April 5, was recalled at the death enquiry held at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when a verdict of "Murder by a person unknown" was returned by Mr. Fraser sitting as Coroner.

Medical evidence was given by Dr. Smalley of how the deceased, after an operation immediately following his admittance to Kowloon Hospital, seemed to be on the road to recovery, but collapsed and died after a second operation on April 30.

Other evidence was given to show that defendant was shot during a struggle with an unknown Chinese on a piece of vacant land near Boundary Street. During the struggle the constable's assailant, pulling a revolver from his adversary's holster, shot him at point blank range in the abdomen.

SPANISH CABINET HOLDS MEETING.

Madrid, May 11. The Council of the Ministers held a meeting yesterday at Madrid, at which Mr. Prieto, Minister of Public Works reported on his recent journey in the provinces of Caceres, Toledo, and Badajoz, which has been undertaken for the purpose of studying various public works and, in particular, those of the irrigation. The Minister stated that splendid crops were being announced there for the near future, as well as in Andalusia and Estremadura.

GANDHI QUILTS GOAT'S MILK.

Ahmedabad, India. Mahatma Gandhi no longer drinks goat's milk, said his 60-year old wife when she came here after a visit to him in Poona gaol before she was herself again imprisoned.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, and Peninsula Hotels, and King's Restaurant.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Sunshine Susie."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "To Oblige A Lady."

To-day—Central Theatre; "Happy Stars."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Skyline."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Inspiration."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Gaucho."

Home Mails.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Chitral).

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Chitral), 10.30 a.m.

May 27—Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., 59th meeting, Messrs. Jardines Offices, 11 a.m.

May 27—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 63rd Meeting, Messrs. Jardines offices, 11.15 a.m.

May 27—British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., 66th meeting, Messrs. Jardines offices 11.20 a.m.

May 28—Extraordinary general meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m., at Hong Kong Hotel.

Miscellaneous.

May 23-24—Empire Fair at the Peninsula Hotel.

May 25—May Settlement of Hong Kong Stock Exchange and H.K. Sharebrokers' Association.

INDIAN POLICE ENTERTAIN MR. WODEHOUSE.

Farewell Tea Party.

The Indian contingent of the Hong Kong Police Force were hosts at a tea party held in honour of Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's yesterday.

Commenting on the forthcoming departure of the guest of honour, A.S.P. Mohinder Singh paid tribute on behalf of his compatriots, and wished Mr. Wodehouse happiness in his well-earned retirement. The speaker presented a scroll as a souvenir and a token of esteem from the Indian contingent, Mr. Wodehouse replying in Hindustani.

ITALIAN BUDGET DEFICIT.

Rome, May 11.

The deficit of the Italian exchequer for the first three quarters of the current fiscal year amounts to 2,147,000,000 lire, according to an announcement made late last night in the Chamber by the Minister of Finance, Signor Moeconi. The minister added that every attempt was being made to keep the deficit at its present level but that, unfortunately, it must be expected that by the end of the fiscal year, on June 30, the deficit would be larger than at present.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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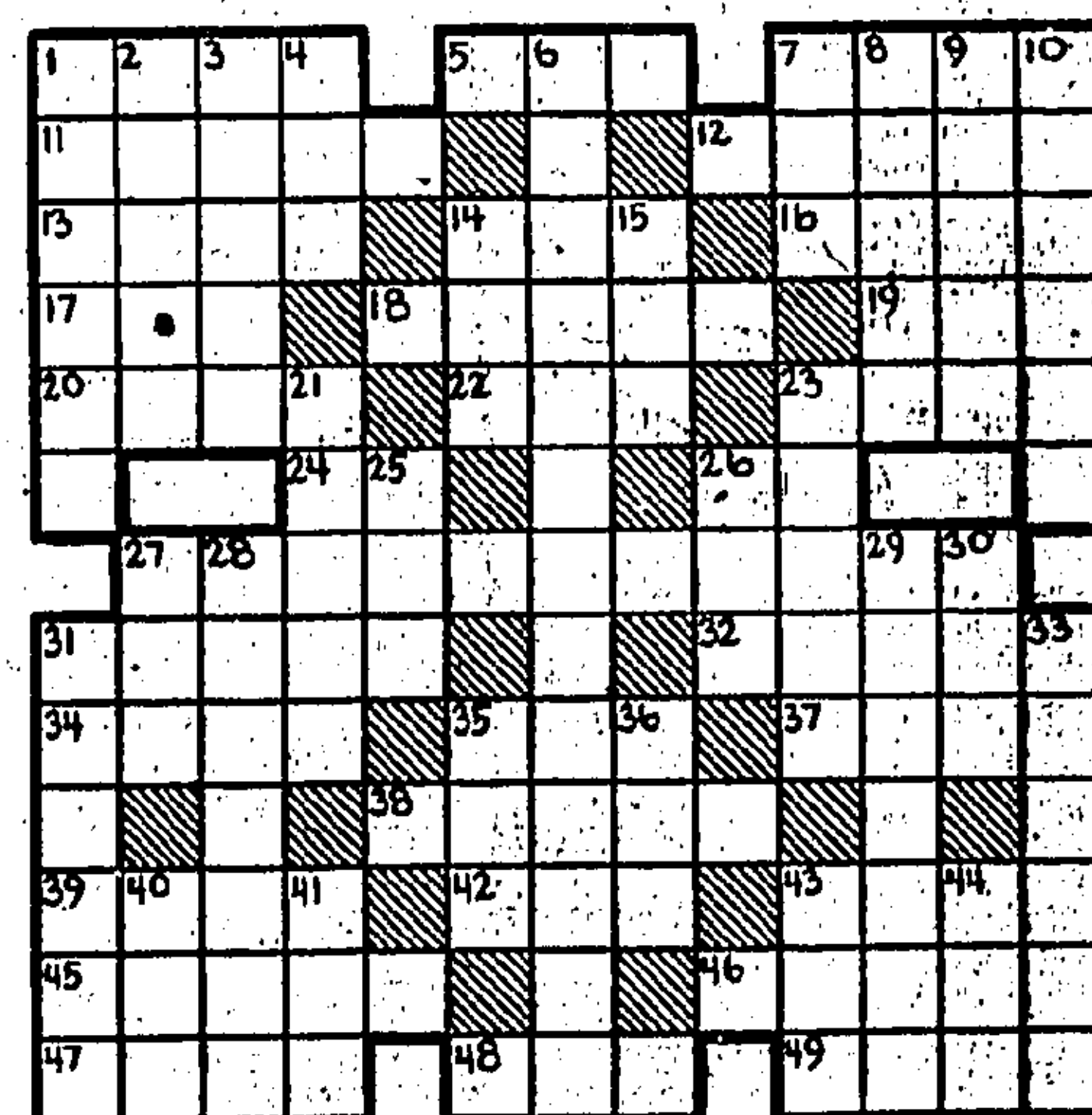
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert and our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—The stocky part of a plant
- 5—Uneven
- 7—A beverage (pl.)
- 11—Wan
- 12—Tally
- 13—Sacred bull of Egypt
- 14—Poisonous snake
- 15—Masculine name
- 16—Ascended
- 17—A letter
- 18—Largest of plants
- 22—Tear
- 23—One of a tribe of N. Am. Indians
- 24—Musical note
- 25—Italian river
- 27—Repeated assurance
- 31—Searches
- 32—Lacerates
- 34—A stake in cards

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 37—To extend over
- 38—Father (Latin)
- 39—Species of vetch
- 42—Fasten who makes
- 43—A king who makes
- 44—Audron his wife (Scot. Myth.)
- 45—Dropey
- 46—Traces
- 47—Bows the head
- 48—Writing fluid
- 49—Mountains in Europe

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 3—A warm sweater
- 8—Oblique
- 10—Feelings
- 14—Atmosphere
- 15—Spirit
- 17—Exalts
- 23—Fruit of the pine
- 25—Farm animal
- 26—Pet
- 27—Move rapidly
- 28—Penetrated
- 29—Metropolis
- 30—Epoch
- 31—Expedites
- 32—Crawling mollusk
- 33—To lick up
- 35—To lie up
- 36—Lair
- 40—Bottle
- 41—Printer's measure
- 42—Constellation
- 44—Edge of anything

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

Bringing Up Father.

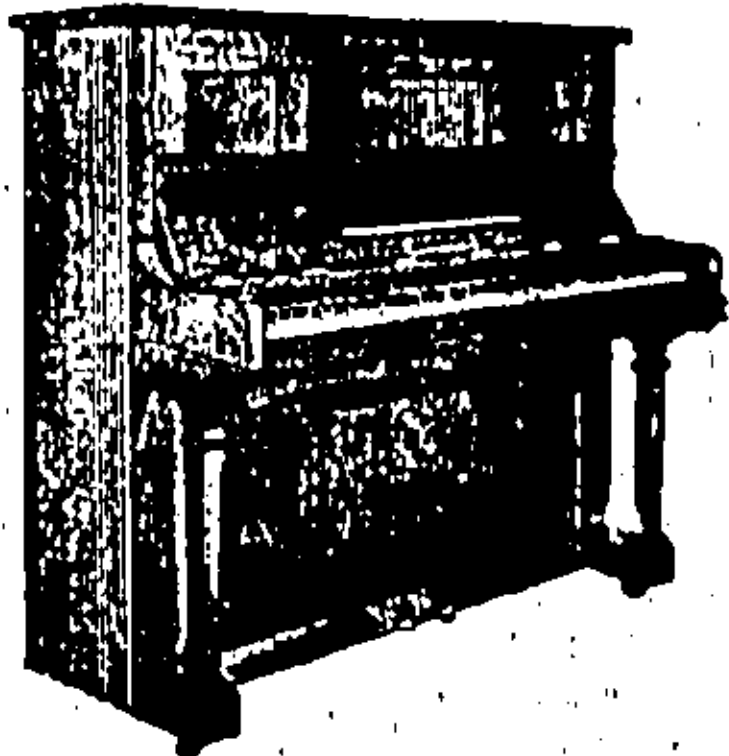


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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

IRISH BID FOR
DAVIS CUP.Contest With
Hungary.

BREAK EVEN IN SINGLES.

Rogers Wins Again.

Dublin, Yesterday.
Ireland possesses only one tennis player of note, the lofty G. Lytleton Rogers, but a strong bid is being made in the preliminary rounds of the European zone of the Davis Cup. To-day the Irish team met Hungary in the third round, and after a good day's play, the contest was even, each team having won one singles match.

Rogers is playing brilliantly and it appears that he may place Ireland in the fourth round.

Results as cabled by Reuter are:—

G. Lytleton Rogers (Ireland) beat Gabrowitz (Hungary) 7-5, 3-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Von Kehrling (Hungary) beat Macguire (Ireland) 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.—Reuter.

FANLING GOLF.

I. H. Geare Wins
Bogey Pool.

In the Bogey Pool the winner was I. H. Geare (10) 2 up. Other scores:—A. K. Mackenzie (6) 1 up; Lt. H. C. Gould (14) all square. There were 39 entries.

In the Adamson Cup, A. E. Clarke qualified with a score of 91-14-77. There were 9 entries.

Starting Times for
Sunday.

The Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club supplies the following list of starting times for Fanling:—

Old Course.
9.16—9.20 a.m. not to be booked by travellers on 8.28 train.
9.24 a.m. J. C. H. Cogan, C. W. F. Booker.
9.28 " J. G. Campbell, N. K. Littlejohn.
9.32 " J. F. Robinson, A. M. Macaulay.
9.36 " W. C. Shields, W. Mulcahy.
9.40 " R. F. Clark, R. C. Law.
9.44 " A. Leach, A. E. Lisaman.
9.48 " I. H. Geare, T. C. Monaghan.

* Get caddies from Superintendent.

JAPANESE GOLFER
FOR ENGLAND.To Play in the
"Open!"

On the first week of June the biggest golfing contest of the year will take place in England, the British open championship. Already there is a representative entry from British players, and also from Americans and continental golfers. It is also learned that T. Miyamoto, the present Japanese Open Champion, has sent in his entry. He is at present in California, where he has been competing in various open tournaments with some success. Indeed, Mr. R. E. Harlow, the tournament secretary of the American Professional Golfers' Association, considers him to be a really fine hitter of the golf ball. It is not known yet whether he will be accompanied by any other Japanese players.

CHICAGO GETS THE
VERDICT.Narrow Win Over
Cincinnati.

YANKEES DEFEATED.

New York, Yesterday.
In a match played over twelve innings in the National League here to-day, Chicago just managed to get the verdict from Cincinnati, whom they defeated by the odd point in seven.

Pittsburgh, who are placed last in the table, registered a win against Brooklyn.

Washington Gains.

In a double-header in the American League, Washington gained two decisive victories over the New York Yankees, for whom Babe Ruth homered. Washington now occupy first place.

Jimmie Foxx, of the Philadelphia Athletics, scored his eleventh home run of the season, in their match with Boston.

Results, as cabled by Reuter's American Service, are as follows:

National League.
Chicago 4 Cincinnati 3
Pittsburgh 3 Brooklyn 2

American League.
Washington 8 New York 6
Washington 12 New York 7
(Babe Ruth homered.)

Philadelphia 4 Boston 2
Jimmie Foxx homered.)

TABLES TO DATE.

National League.
P. W. L. age
Chicago 29 22 7 .852
Boston 25 15 10 .604
Cincinnati 32 17 15 .531
St. Louis 29 14 15 .482
Philadelphia 28 12 16 .428
New York 24 10 14 .416
Brooklyn 27 11 16 .407
Pittsburgh 26 9 17 .345

American League.

P. W. L. age
Washington 29 21 8 .727
New York 25 17 8 .680
Detroit 25 14 11 .580
Cleveland 30 17 13 .568
Philadelphia 27 14 13 .516
St. Louis 31 14 17 .451
Chicago 27 8 19 .227
Boston 27 6 21 .222

Home Run Leaders.

Jimmie Foxx (Philadelphia Aths.) 11
Bill Terry (New York Giants) 9
Babe Ruth (New York Yankees) 8
Collins (Washington) 8
Cochrane (Philadelphia Aths.) 7
Averill (Cleveland Indians) 7
Klein (New York Giants) 7
Cehring (Detroit Tigers) 7
Byrd (New York Yankees) 7
Lou Gehrig (New York Yankees) 4

LAWN BOWLS.

League Matches
To-morrow Afternoon.

The following league bowls matches are down for decision to-morrow afternoon:—

First Division: Police v. Civil Service; Kowloon Dock v. Kowloon C.C.; Craigengower v. Kowloon B.G.C.; Talkoo R.C. v. Club de Recrelo.

Second Division: Kowloon B.G.C. v. Craigengower; Civil Service v. Yacht Club; Club de Recrelo v. Talkoo; Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong Electric.

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Squads Holding
Good Lead.

The positions of the players in the Open Chess Championship of the Colony played in Central Hall School Hall to date, are as follows:—

P. W. D. L. Pts.
C. M. Sequeira 7 4 1 0 6 1/2
D. B. Carvalho 5 4 1 0 6 1/2
D. A. B. Bousfield 3 3 1 3 5 1/2
S. L. Huan 4 3 3 2 5 1/2
A. C. Ridgway 3 3 3 2 5 1/2
H. W. Randall 3 3 3 2 5 1/2
G. W. Greene 3 1 1 4 3 1/2
B. W. Paul 5 2 0 0 5 0

MORE TENNIS
MEMBERS WANTED.Sunday Play at
Thorntonhall.

I have been inundated with communications from secretaries of tennis clubs all over the West of Scotland pointing out that their clubs are open to receive new members for the season, writes "Inner Court" in the Evening Standard.

Among those are Busby, Hillpark and Merrylee, Poloc, and Thorntonhall. The last-mentioned club write:—

As you are no doubt aware, we are within 20 minutes of town by road and 30 by train, with a reasonable service of the latter both to and from. The courts are excellent, better than ever this season, and in splendid surroundings. An added inducement, possibly, is Sunday tennis, for members only, although (privately) applications have been turned down from prospective members who were known to be joining merely for the purpose of playing on Sundays. I think I am right in saying that we are the only club in the West of Scotland with this facility.

I have forwarded the membership application forms sent by the above clubs to enthusiasts who wrote asking me to fix them up.

Even before the season is right set away, entry forms are out for the Renfrewshire championships and for the West of Scotland tournaments. Entries for the Renfrewshire meeting, which is to be held at Melkiergigs this year from May 16 to 21, are due to close on Monday May 9. Mr. A. MacKay, 272 Lochfield Road, Paisley, is secretary for the Renfrewshire meeting, and Mr. J. McDonald is the referee. As usual the programme of the Renfrewshire tournament is confined to five championship events.

The West of Scotland championships run at Pollokshields and Tiltwood Courts from May 28 to June 4. There is a ten-event programme made up of five senior championships, two junior championships, and three doubles handicaps. Mr. Eric Rayner, Pollokshields, is referee, Mr. B. A. Moulding, Tiltwood, is secretary. Entries close on May 16. The opening day's play (the Saturday) is to be devoted to the two junior championships and to the mixed doubles handicap.

The promoters of the Scottish Public Courts Association are nothing if not energetic. The week-end conference at Dundee was quite illuminating in the way it illustrated how useful such an Association could be in furthering the interests of the public courts players. There must be thousands upon thousands of these players in unorganised masses in Scotland, whose interests could be materially and recreationally improved by such a national association.

Temporary office-bearers and a committee have been appointed, and their first duty is to hammer out a constitution, and to get in touch with the other Scottish districts. Meetings with this aim in view are to be held in Glasgow on May 21, in Edinburgh on June 11, and in Dundee on July 2.

It is expected that centres like Paisley, Clydebank, Ayr, and similar communities in Dumbartonshire, Renfrewshire, Ayrshire, Lanarkshire, and even further afield in the West will be present. The date is May 21, the courts where the match will be played will be announced later, and representatives from public courts players from any West centre are invited to be present.

Owing to the difficulties inseparable from dealing with unorganised bodies of players, formal invitations may not be addressed to persons, but all the same each community with public parks players should be represented at this meeting. Numerically the formation of the Scottish Public Courts Association is the biggest step ever taken in Scottish tennis so far, as the mass of the players are concerned. The players on public courts, far outnumber the total of players on private courts.

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A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

The water shortage question is still causing the authorities much anxiety. Unable to obtain their supply of water from the street fountains during the prescribed hours, owing to the great rush, some Chinese resorted to stealing water from a cistern in a public latrine. There was a Police Court sequel, when four Chinese men were charged. A full report on the shortage, together with local residents' views in favour of artesian wells, is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Stirring tribute was paid in Hong Kong to the late President Doumer on May 12, when the Requiem Mass and the funeral rites took place in St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road. There was a representative congregation present, which included H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), Vice-Admiral Herr and the French Consul-General M. Dufaur de la Prade. H.E. Bishop Valoria preached the sermon. A report of the solemn occasion is given in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Captain Bruce Bairnsfather, the famous cartoonist and creator of "Old Bill," visited Hong Kong on board the N.Y.K. steamer Sawa Maru on May 14. He was accompanied by his wife, and they are on a journey to Europe. The famed cartoonist expressed the view that the sampan population in Hong Kong would make interesting reading, and to him they had been a source of great amazement. An interesting talk with Capt. Bairnsfather is given in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The Indian Recreation Club had a field day on May 14, when their second annual athletic meeting was held in glorious weather, though a bit on the warm side. There was a large attendance, among whom were Mr. R. E. Lindsell (President of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association) and Mrs. Lindsell, and Mr. A. el Arculli (President of the I.R.C.).

The flag-bedecked Clubhouse added much to the gaiety of the afternoon's function which is reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Small fields and a smaller crowd of supporters than usual somewhat detracted from the day's sport at the Sixth Extra Race Meeting, held at Happy Valley on May 14.

Cash sweeps suffered noticeably by the absence of many spectators, and nothing startling in the matter of dividends was returned. The highest price of the day (\$56.80) was paid by Valera in the eighth race. The meeting is reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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"THE OVERLAND CHINA MAIL"

FIELD FLOOD AND RING

By Athole

Mr. Bentley Joins Rolls-Royce.

The announcement that Mr. W. O. Bentley, designer of the famous cars bearing his name, has joined the firm of Messrs. Rolls-Royce will interest everybody in the motoring world.

When Messrs. Rolls-Royce bought up Bentley Motors in liquidation and reformed the company to manufacture a small car of sporting character it was generally assumed that "W.O." would be its designer. At that time, however, Mr. Bentley had other plans in view.

It is only recently that tripartite talks, both of a legal and a purely personal kind, which have been proceeding for the last four or five months, have been terminated in favour of the new association.

Valuable Experience.

Mr. Bentley's long experience in the design and construction of sporting cars—presenting problems widely different from those inherent in cars of the type hitherto associated with the name of Rolls-Royce—should be invaluable to his new firm.

Moreover, should the firm break its long tradition of standing out of racing, there is no man in England with greater knowledge of the game. And in those days races are won more by team and pit managers than even by the drivers themselves.

Lord Howe's Opinion.

On this point Lord Howe, just back from Monte Carlo, where he put up such a magnificent showing against the crack Italian drivers, gave a most heartening piece of news.

He stated that without doubt the speed and efficiency with which British drivers and mechanics carry out their work during stops at the pits are far in advance of anything shown by foreign rivals.

Lord Howe, by the way, ought to have quite a good chance of winning the British Empire Trophy race at Brooklands, organised by the British Racing Drivers' Club, of which he is president.

This is a new type of scratch event, to be run off in four 50-mile heats and a hundred miles final, and will therefore call for the most intelligent as well as brilliant driving.

Amateur Billiards Championship.

Sydney Lee, of Norbury, the holder, appeared certain to retain his title of amateur billiards champion, when, with one session to play against Frank Edwards (Birmingham), at Thurston's Hall last month he led by over 1,000 points. Edwards played well in the first session and was only out-pointed to the extent of 25, Lee aggregating 721.

The chief breaks were: Lee, 59, 99, 82, and 84; Edwards, 63, 53, 58, 55, and 49. Interval scores: Lee, 3,847; Edwards (to play), 2,801.

Results: S. Lee, 5,674; F. Edwards, 3,508. Breaks: Lee, 92, 46, 51, 44, 127, 134, 33, 30, 110, 31, and 68; Edwards, 35, 45, 47, 42, 36, 36, 35, 94, 60, 139, and 67.

Walker Cup.

Francis Quimet, the United States amateur golf champion, and captain of this year's Walker Cup team, has returned to his home at Boston after a winter tour to Florida.

This year, for the first time, Quimet will be the only player not called upon to go through the district eligibility tests for the championship at Baltimore, though he will have to pass the final test to select the thirty-two players for the match play stages.

Further, the American authorities have decided to abolish the practice of seeding the draw, and to follow the British procedure of picking from the hat, thus giving every player an equal chance. This is a matter of considerable interest to the British players who will be competing in the American championship.

Worcestershire's Hope.

The Worcestershire County C.C. hope to show a successful season, than for some years past.

Their biggest weakness has been in batting, but with the appearance this year of the Nawab of Pataudi, who, it is understood, will have qualified during the season, and H. H. Martin, a local player of considerable promise, this should be remedied.

The bowling strength, which includes Root, Perks, Brook, and White, appears capable of useful work.

Bournemouth Tennis Invaders.

Louis Haensch, the young German, competing in the hard court championships at Bournemouth, hails from Dresden and is a player of the David type—quiet in demeanour and strategic in purpose.

His defensive strokes are eminently sound and he has the ability of increasing his pace when he has lured his man to the net. As a retriever of smashes he has few equals in his own country.

At Cannes a few weeks ago Haensch was seen returning the high-bouncing crashes of G. L. Rogers time and again. His service is medium-paced with a strainless delivery. Physically he is a storehouse of stamina.

A French Newcomer.

Another invader, Martin Leguey, a French player, will be new to home galleries. Tall and lean, he is much stronger at the net than at the back of the court; his strokes are of the British pattern; he employs no top spin and lacks driving severity.

He shines most in France as a mixed doubles partner to Mme. Mathieu, the holder of the singles championship at Bournemouth, who is defending her title. These two will constitute a threat to home couples, since they have systematised their tactics.

Historic Rugby Match.

Forty years ago the first Rugby match between English and French teams was played in Paris. The English team was composed of the Rosslyn Park Club, and they beat the French side by 22 points to nil.

This match, which aroused intense interest in France, was the forerunner of the international games—now no more—between France and the home Union. The Rosslyn Park team was:—

Stedall; Ashworth, Badwall, Howard; Chaldecott, Jackson; Adamson, Harding, Urwich, Chapman, Eversted, Jefferson, James, Hoyle, and Figgis (captain).

How many of these players are alive to-day? Also are any of their descendants in the side to-day?

Seven-a-Side Competitions.

The seven-a-side competition is undoubtedly growing in popularity. It was played and perfected in Scotland long before it spread across the border—many say that we in the south still do not understand the true seven-a-side technique—but now its adherents increase yearly.

Apart from the big event, the final stages of which are being decided at Twickenham—several smaller competitions are being held.

One, which is arousing some interest in the west, is that organised by the Cornish Wanderers R.F.C. at Camborne. Nine sides entered.

HIGH BASEBALL SALARY.

Babe Ruth Gets \$75,000.

Babe Ruth, the famous baseball player of the New York American Baseball Club, has signed a contract with Colonel Jacob J. Rupert owner of the club for \$75,000 (about £20,000) for the season of 1932 and has reported for duty at the Florida (U.S.A.) Training Camp of the club. Ruth wanted \$95,000 and Colonel Rupert offered \$70,000. They compromised on \$75,000.

DON'T WASTE WATER.

TRIUMPH FOR ENGLISH SOCCER.

Review of England v. Scotland Match.

ALLEN MORTON'S 30TH MATCH.

"The English professional association footballers gained a signal triumph in the match against Scotland, winning by three goals to none, writes a correspondent in the Rangoon Times. "Their superiority was marked in every phase of the game. Rarely, in fact, has English football appeared to such fine advantage. The match was played at Wembley Stadium in the presence of the Duke of Gloucester and a record crowd of 92,000 people, the receipts amounting to nearly £20,000. The Stadium, enclosed with high concrete walls in the form of the old Roman arena, presented a remarkable spectacle with its crowded stands and terraces. The massed band of the Guards played, and for an hour the vast concourse of people sang to their accompaniment, while before the start the Duke of Gloucester went on to the field and the members of both teams were introduced to him.

It was unfortunate that the Scottish team was not as strong as could be wished. It was entirely composed of players from the clubs at home, the authorities having declined to choose any of the Scots engaged with English clubs, and it would have been enormously improved by the inclusion of such famous men as James, Gallacher, and Jackson. Indeed, the fine English side was worthy of much stouter opposition.

Scotland had one or two chances in the first twenty minutes, but they were really outplayed, and from some points of view out-classed. Nothing was so notable as the superiority of the Englishmen in ball play. In trapping and controlling the ball, they were plainly more expert than their rivals, and they kept it moving at an astonishing pace. This splendid form was the more encouraging owing to the fact that several new and young players were introduced into the side.

Perhaps the outstanding success was Weaver, the left half of the Cup winners, Newcastle United. He is, I think, the longest thrower of a ball the game has known. On one occasion, against the Scots, he threw in from near the corner flag, and the ball landed in the goalmouth. The distance covered was over forty

HONG KONG TENNIS.

"D" Company, S.W.B. Improve Position.

R.A.S.C. DEFEATED.

One further match in the Army Area Tennis League was decided yesterday, when at Sookunpoo, "D" Company of the South Wales Borderers defeated the R.A.S.C. by five matches to four, in a closely contested encounter.

TABLES TO DATE.

Hong Kong Area.			
	P.	W.	L.
R.A.P.C.	2	2	0
"H.Q." Co. S.W.B.	1	0	1
R.A.O.C.	1	1	0
R.A.S.C.	2	1	1
Royal Engineers	1	1	0
"B" Co. S.W.B.	2	1	1
"D" Co. S.W.B.	2	1	1
"A" Co. S.W.B.	1	0	1
"C" Co. S.W.B.	1	0	1
40th R.E.	1	0	1
12th R.A.	1	0	1
R.A.M.C.	1	0	1

Kowloon Area.			
	P.	W.	L.
H.K.S.R.A.	2	2	0
"C" Co. Argyls	1	1	0
"A" Co. Argyls	1	1	0
20th R.A.	2	1	1
R.C.S.	1	0	1
31st R.A.	1	0	1
"H.Q." Co. Argyls	1	0	1
"B" Co. Argyls	1	0	1

"D" Company, Argyls, have not yet commenced their League season.

yards. There was also a new centre-half in O'Dowd, of Chelsea. He is of a very different type from the modern player in his position. Most centre halves to-day are merely "stoppers," who act as policemen to the opposing centre forward. O'Dowd, however, is a brilliant ball player with great resource in attack.

Waring, the Aston Villa man, was the centre forward, and he scored the first goal when England played with the wind in the opening half. Later Barclay, the Sheffield United inside right, put on the second goal, and Crooks, the Derby County wing man, obtained the third. It was a memorable occasion for Allen Morton, the Scottish outside left. It was his thirtieth match, and he broke the Scottish record for international caps. Previously it was held by Bobby Walker with twenty-nine.

JACK DEMPSEY EXTENDED.

By King Levinsky in Chicago.

CHAMPION SLIPPING?

Jack Dempsey, the former heavy-weight champion of the world, had his hopes of making a "comeback" checked in Chicago recently, when held by King Levinsky in a four-round bout.

Levinsky, who is an American Hebrew, did most of the attacking, and Dempsey, who was favourite at 7 to 5 on, seemed unable to hurt him.

A couple of months ago Levinsky gave Tommy Loughran, ex-light-weight champion, a severe trouncing. Recent photographs of Dempsey that have appeared in American papers reveal that the ex-champion is in splendid condition, notwithstanding that he is a trifle bulkier than when at the zenith of his career. Dempsey has been fighting regularly for several months, and in consequence has moulded into good shape.

Mr. H. D. McIntosh said in Sydney the other day that he will not be satisfied until he induces Primo Carnera to visit Australia. "They laughed at me when I tried to match Tommy Burns and Jack Johnson," he said. "I will be the most disappointed man in Sydney if I don't get the Italian to come. Take it from me, he is the best fighter in the world, and I have seen them all."

On performances Carnera is not the best heavy weight in the world. Jack Sharkey gave him an awful drubbing in America last year, and a second-rater, Jim Maloney, also accounted for the giant.

PROMISING BOWLER.

Cambridge University cricketers have high hopes that N. McKinnon, a young Australian, who is in his second year at Trinity Hall, will develop into a worthy successor to F. R. Brown, the bowling discovery of last season. Brown will be playing fairly regularly for Surrey.

McKinnon, like Brown, is a spin bowler, and can keep a good length. If he comes up to expectations he should be a certainty for his blue this year. He comes from Geelong (College, Melbourne).

Length—The Golfer's Ruling Passion

T. P. Perkins Discusses Some Modes Of Play

EXECUTION OF SHOTS.

CAUSES FOR LOSS OF LENGTH

On all hands the desire—it might almost be called the craze—for length is heard. Length appears to be the ruling passion with many golfers, and let me say quite frankly that it is the undoing of a good many of them. While a long drive is a great advantage, much can be done to make up for loss of yards, by getting to know one's capabilities and working strictly to them. All the same, apart from the satisfaction it gives, a little extra length is so useful that it is a worthy ambition to want to drive farther.

Experts have told us that weight and strength are required for long driving and since this article is for the consideration of players who are not necessarily strong, I think the best way to start is to discuss the various ways in which length may be lost, writes T. P. Perkins, the former British Amateur champion.

A prominent one is the club used; points to watch are the most suitable length and weight for the player concerned, and a good balance. A shaft of suitable elasticity is of vital importance, as with most things, it pays to get a first-class article. My own experience when using hickory shafts was that they lost some of their driving power after a year or so's use. I am now convinced that steel shafts are longer for most players.

Trajectory of Ball.

Another highly important matter is the trajectory of the ball in the air. I doubt very much if this receives the attention it deserves. Let us leave out for the moment the effect of the wind and methods of striking the ball, and consider the fact that between certain limits a high trajectory gives maximum carry, and a low trajectory maximum run. We must not forget, of course, that on hard ground the low running shot may produce a longer drive than one with a moderate trajectory, and that on soft ground there would be a considerable loss of length. I therefore suggest that the player discovers the most suitable trajectory for calm weather and average ground conditions. The shot will be regulated by the height of the tee, and the loft and depth of the driver's face, and the method of play.

While I think it is better to leave the details to the player, there is one point on which I hold strong views—that the ball must be got well into the air when the wind is behind. Only in this way can good length be obtained. A wind-cheater length be obtained. A wind-cheater putt which finishes short of the hole. With a favourable wind a high ball not only goes a long way but is kept on its line.

As far as possible, I consider the method of driving should be standardised, changes in trajectory being brought about by varying the height of the tee, and in some cases by a change of club, for example, using a brassie. When there is a strong following wind it is almost impossible to see the ball too high.

Needless to say, a good deal of length is gained or lost, according to whether cross winds are used or not. Any shot which fights the wind loses length. While there are dangers in the too free use of the wind, the keen golfer cannot afford to ignore it. When length is an object, he ought to guard against slipping into a right-hand wind and hooking into one from the left.

Good Timing.

Turning now to matters directly concerning the execution of the shot, another cause for loss of length is not hitting "rumpently" hard. This frequently arises because of warnings not to "press." There is all the difference in the world between hitting comfortably hard and pressing. A good timing, which means maximum length, is impossible to hit fairly hard. Hitting hard I mean, using the club head as fast as possible, and the ball without "length" with the body being careful not to hurry in the swing.

A serious cause for loss of length is the drive, indeed with the shot, the player who is not in the habit of swinging the club with a full, free, and powerful motion.

timing through performing all the subsequent movements too soon, but it absorbs energy at a time when it ought to be saved. It is obvious that the club-head must travel at its greatest speed at the moment of impact, and this is an impossibility if the club is snatched back too quickly. In order to secure length the swing must be rhythmic. Moreover, if the golfer starts the club back steadily he gives himself every chance of making a good follow-through.

While on the question of good timing I feel that something ought to be said about the action of the wrists. It is a well-known fact that proper use of the wrists increases the pace of the club-head. Prominent examples of the full use of the wrists are Tommy Armour and Archie Compston.

Other points come to mind while on the question of timing. Not only must the most suitable length of club be ascertained but the best position in which to hold it will have a considerable bearing on the length obtained by good timing, and I should like to call attention to the advantage of varying the position from time to time.

Sliding and Cutting. One of the most serious causes for loss of length is slicing and cutting. The former is painfully evident, and immediate steps should be taken to stop it, but the cut shot sometimes flies straight and pulls up very quickly on dropping. It is closely related to the slice, its cause varying somewhat with different players.

On the other hand, a shot which is slightly hooked provides extra length if the ground is sufficiently dry to allow the ball to run well. Players who are short of length use this method, with some degree of success. The danger is that sometimes one hooks too much, while at other times no turning movement is obtained.

THE DERBY OUTLOOK.

Orwell's Stamina Doubtful.

The Derby outlook is made the more interesting because of the possibility of the Beckhampton stable having another strong candidate as well as Cockpen. This is Violator, an exceedingly wellbred colt by Harry. On out of Love-in-Judaea who was backward all last season and was only seen in public once.

So far the only serious Derby candidate that has run this season up to now is Spenser who appeared at Lingfield recently in the Spring Stakes in which Mr. Somerville-Tattersall's colt ran second to Morgan the latter receiving 7lbs.

How this form will work out later remains to be seen for it would have been more valuable had Cameronian been in the field. Lord Dewar's colt, however, did go to the meeting but the going was not considered suitable. I was anyway glad to see Spenser looking well and if he develops into a Derby probable, one could not imagine a more popular candidate as last season Spenser won his races with more courage than usually is founded among the juveniles. I can remember him winning three races in which he seemed to be beaten because of the way he battled on in each case against longer-striding animals.

Another classic candidate about which there is more or less general news is Clurico for this colt has done so much work that it seems there are definite designs on the two Thousand with him. Finally (I have been discovered that the mile and a half at Epsom will be beyond him). There seems to be the possibility of some quarters to doubt the stamina of Orwell but I doubt if he will be any more about it than the other colts. Mr. Stanger, of the Beekhampton stable, has a fine record in the Derby, having won it in 1928 and 1929.

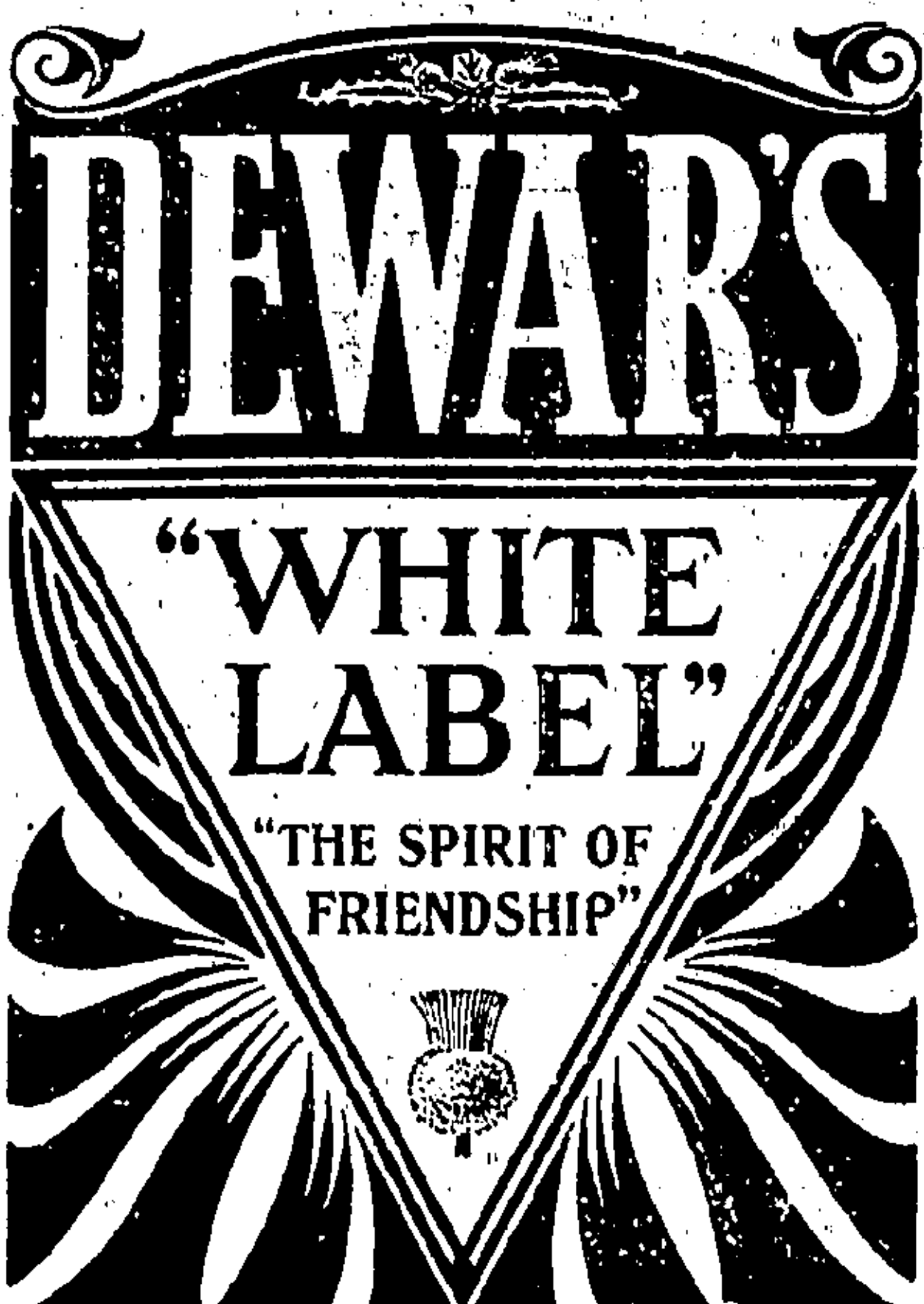
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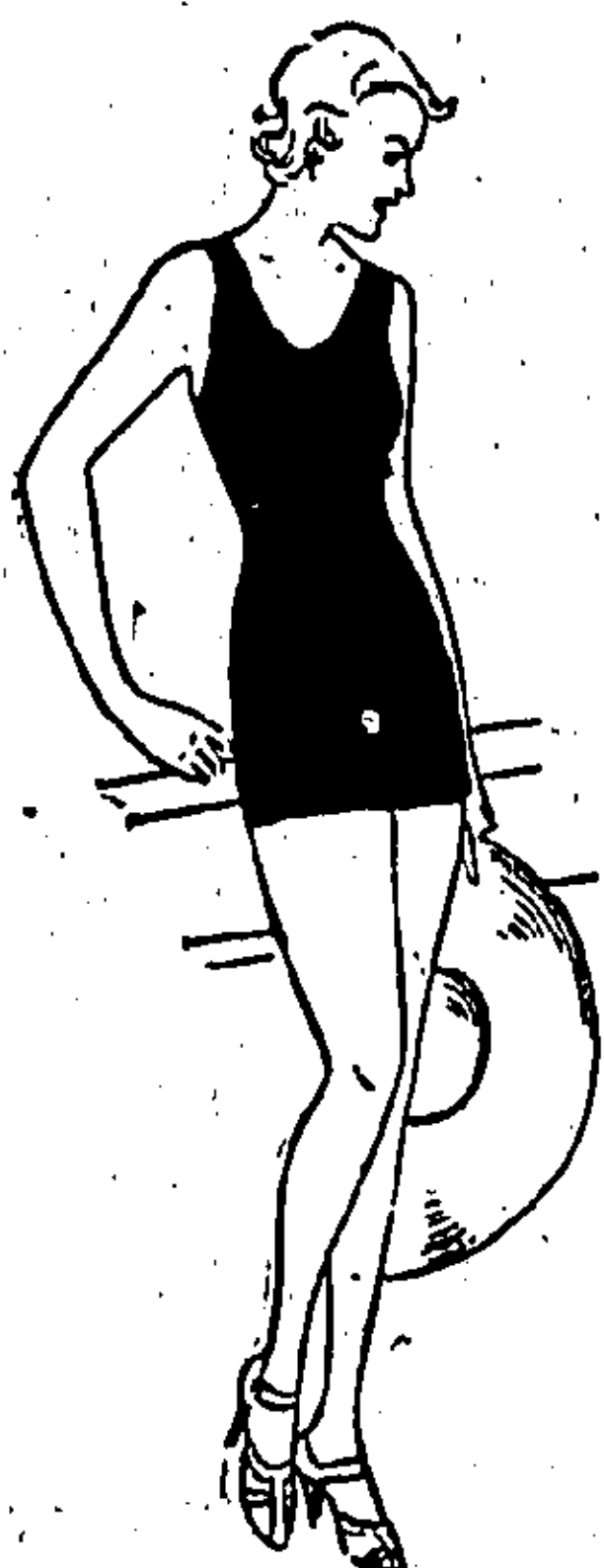
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Japan's Troubles.

Japan is now passing through a period of storm and stress that is inevitable to any arrogant and ambitious nation, and the recent disturbances in Japan can be attributed, directly or indirectly, to the aggressive foreign policy of the Tokyo leaders. As has been evident for some time the people of Japan are by no means wholly in accord with the extremist ideas of the military faction, and it is only the general ignorance of the vast majority of the populace (over 60 per cent. of the race are engaged in agricultural pursuits) on matters foreign and international that has prevented any wider support of the movement of rebellion against the authorities. It is significant that most of the disturbances have been due to clashes between the junior Army officers and the educated, even if sometimes radical, students. In fact, a general uprising against the small Tokyo group who guide the destiny of the whole country would have taken place if the people had not been inspired with the military successes of the troops in addition to being deluded by shrewd propaganda. And that despite even the intense patriotism of the Japanese whose homage to their Emperor is so intense as to be almost misguided. The power of the military faction is peculiar, and inexplicable to outsiders, but it is comprehensible to those who are conversant with the strange constitution of Japan. In times of national emergency the Prime Minister can be made to become less than a mere figure-head, and the Cabinet is equally impotent. Democracy is progressing in Japan but it has not yet advanced to the stage where the masses possess any real influence in the management of their affairs. The Emperor is all-powerful, and the officials who have direct access to him are the Minister of War and the Minister of the Navy. Militarism is so interlarded with politics that the Army can dominate any Government. This was clearly demon-

strated recently, when the late Premier Inukai was forced to agree to acts of armed aggression which his sound reasoning told him were acts of folly. He was useful for little else but to find the money for the campaigns planned, started and operated by the Army. The real ruler, indeed, almost a dictator, during the past months has been General Araki, the Minister of War, and he in turn has been controlled by the Army officers on whose support and approval his existence depends. Evidence is again forthcoming in the present attempts of the Seiyukai party to form a Government. No War Minister will accept office in a Cabinet which does not meet with the Army's approval, and without a War Minister—who must be an Army officer—no Government can be sanctioned by the Emperor.

The assassination of Premier Inukai was added to the list of dastardly deeds committed during the past few months and which have lost the world many of her outstanding men and thinkers, and the affairs were more unfortunate in that the guilty parties were young military officers. No matter what their opinions of the Government, these murderers will have to advance many more reasons before they can convince the world that their cold-blooded shooting of an old man in his own home was justified. The incident will react on the Army and will add to the resentment of many citizens against the military control of the nation. Araki's resignation will almost certainly be demanded as a result of the assassination, and some political action will shortly be forced to empower the civil authorities to take firmer action to control—and prevent—the disturbances and murders, which are gaining Japan so much notoriety of late. Unfortunately, assassination is by no means uncommon in Japan, and in a short space of time the country has lost three of its most distinguished leaders, including Baron Dan and Mr. J. Inouye. It is only a few months ago, at the New Year, that an attempt was made at the life of the Emperor, when some fanatic threw a bomb just outside the Palace in Tokyo. The peace, security and stability of any nation is jeopardized by happenings of this nature, and Japan is in a most precarious position in regard to the future of the nation.

OBSERVANCE OF EMPIRE DAY.

Fair Division in Goods
Transportation.

COMMITTEE'S FINAL MEETING.

Final plans for the observance of Empire Day in Hong Kong were approved at a meeting of the Empire Day Committee held at Government House on Tuesday evening. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), presided and there were also present:

Mr. F. C. Barry, The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mrs. E. Cook, Major V. C. Duclos, Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mr. F. P. Franklin, Mr. A. Hicks, Mr. Hawkins, Lady Clara Ho Tung, Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. G. P. de Martin, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. Stopani Thompson, the Hon. Dr. Ts'o, Miss Westland, Captain Webb, Mr. Williams and Mr. S. T. Williamson. Those unable to attend were:—The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Mr. Green, The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, The Very Rev. Dean Swann, Mr. McLaren, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Mr. Tang Shui-kin, Mrs. A. H. Walker and Mrs. Kin-naid Watson.

In reporting on the Empire Products Fair, to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on May 23 and 24, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Chairman of the Fair Sub-Committee, spoke of the hearty co-operation manifested on all hands, and stated that applications for space had come in to such an extent that, owing to limitations of space, further allocations could not be made.

The Committee approved the official programme for the Fair, which will be opened by H. E. the Officer Administering the Government at 4.20 p.m. on May 23, following a brief speech by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.

A feature of the opening ceremony will be an Empire Tableau in which eight girls, attired in national costume, representing various parts of the Empire, will participate.

Full details of the Fair programme will be published in special advertisements appearing in the newspapers on Saturday. The public is requested to look out for those details and to make a point of being present at what should be a most interesting function. Admission will be free, but teas will be served at a cost of one dollar per head. There will be many attractions during the opening day, including special music by the bands of H.M.S. Cornwall and of the Peninsula Hotel. At night, there will be a special Empire Day Gala in the Rose Room of the Hotel, when Empire menus will be served. The Fair will reopen on Empire Day at 9 a.m. and continue until 6 p.m.

In addition to the Fair, there will be special Church services on Empire Day morning, while at 10.30 a.m. Girl Guides will lay a basket of roses on Queen Victoria's statue, to which also the public may, if they wish, also send baskets of flowers.

In the afternoon, Mrs. Southern is entertaining the Girl Guides at Government House, while H.E. the General Officer Commanding will entertain Boy Scouts at Flagstaff House.

At 7 p.m., the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., will broadcast an address from the Government Studio telling of the development of the Colony during his 44 years' residence here.

During the day, a loyal telegram will be sent to Her Majesty the Queen by the Empire Day Committee.

It is hoped that the Union Jack will be flown from business houses and residences on Empire Day.

Personal Pars.

Mr. G. F. Taylor, of the Harbour Office (Green Island), who has been ill for some time, left the War Memorial Nursing Home yesterday.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Philip George Wong, of 79a Wong Nei Chong Road, first floor, Happy Valley, and Agnes Chao, of 19 Yik Yam Street, first floor, Happy Valley.

At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood took the oath and his seat as acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs, vice the Hon. Mr. S. T. Williamson, C.M.G., who is now acting as Colonial Secretary.

CHANGED HIS MIND.

Would-Be Suicide Swims
To Safety.

In an alleged attempt to commit suicide, a Chinese man, Leung Shing (23) described as unemployed and of no fixed abode in the Colony, jumped into the harbour from the Yaumati Ferry Company's wharf at Yaumati. On reaching the water, he evidently changed his mind, and saved himself by swimming to a ferry which was berthed at the wharf.

JAPANESE CRISIS.

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reached an understanding is premature, as the Army is said to be insisting on a drastic purging of party evils as well as relief for the farmers and small merchants, whereas Mr. Suzuki is unable to commit himself to promise such far-reaching reforms immediately.

The point at issue thus appears to be one primarily of domestic concern, but of fundamental importance.

Traditionally scornful of wealth, both officers and men, who have been largely recruited from rural districts, are naturally sympathetic with the poverty stricken farmers who have been bled by taxation for the purpose of assisting the big industrial and commercial interests. Consequently they recognise that the removal of the abuses connected with the Japanese party system and the betterment of the conditions of the agricultural communities is essential if worse developments are to be avoided, whereas the politicians are unable to pledge too far, as their power is largely dependent on the party spoil system, which is closely allied to the big business interests.

Socialist Party.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Seceders, Social Democrats and other proletarian groups have decided formally to inaugurate a State Socialist Party on May 29. The committee called on Prince Saionji after his arrival in Tokyo this evening, and emphasised that the recent outrages were symptomatic of National sentiment aroused by the existing economic and political evils. Consequently they urged the necessity of a National cabinet. — Reuter.

BRITISH AID FOR SOUTH AMERICAN BANK.

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It is noteworthy that Anglo-South American shares once last year touched over £6 and dropped to 2s. 6d. They recovered to 8s. yesterday in anticipation of the foregoing, which will strengthen the Bank's position. — Reuter.

London, Yesterday.

The Anglo-South American Bank announce that an arrangement has, in principle, been concluded with a group of banks headed by the Bank of England, under which certain assets of the Anglo-South American Bank, connected with the nitrate industry, amounting to over £7,000,000, which cannot at present be realised, will be taken over subject to a guarantee of the Anglo-South American Bank and the Bank being simultaneously relieved of the demand for a liability for an equivalent amount.

A contingent liability in respect of this guarantee will rank after deposits and all other liabilities to clients. The substitution of deferred contingent liability for cash liability at present payable on demand will strengthen the position of the Bank and afford increased security for its clients.

A sharp recovery of Anglo-South American Bank shares was recorded on the Stock Exchange to-day. — British Wireless Service.

News in Brief.

The Legislative Council stands adjourned until May 26.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, immediately following the meeting of the Legislative Council, yesterday afternoon, votes totalling \$11,979 were approved. The votes included one of \$994 for steel filing cabinets in the Treasury for filling the "stubs" from the new cash registers installed there.

OPEN DOOR POLICY.

Leads to Larcenies
Says Detective.

Det. Sergeant Kennedy, in the Central Police Court this morning, remarked that the large number of larcenies in the Wanchai district was due to the inhabitants leaving their doors and windows open during the hot weather.

He charged a Chinese, Chu Sue-yin, with stealing property valued at \$37 from a Chinese woman living at 45, Hennessy Road, by inserting his hand through a window.

Defendant was bound over in a personal bond of \$100 to be of good behaviour for a year.

EMPIRE DAY FAIR ENTHUSIASM.

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on which the official group, presided by the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. Southern, will be seated.

Young girls, Mr. Braga said, will take part in the Tableau, all appropriately attired to represent the following parts of the Empire:—

Britannia Miss Edith Hoare.
Canada Miss Badeline Walker.
Australia Miss Molly Wynne-Jones.
New Zealand Miss Margaret Henderson.
South Africa Miss Hazel Lauder.
British India Miss Vera Ruttonjee Desai.
Hong Kong Miss Lo Pui-yew.
New Territories Miss Fung Yun-to.

Upon arrival at the Fair, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. Southern will be received by the General Committee and they will be escorted to the dais for the opening ceremony by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Chairman of the Fair Committee, and the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Secretary of the General Committee, the Chairman of which, in the absence of Lady Peel, is Mrs. Southern.

THE CANADIAN EXHIBITS.

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was to be devoted to it, and the Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and South African section exhibits were to be displayed in the Cafeteria extension. The lounge would be given over to local firms who were exhibiting, including the industrial section. In the first place it was agreed to have only food products on show, but so many requests for space had been received that the Committee had decided to have industrial exhibits also. "We are not contemplating any failure, but the financial side of the fair has been guaranteed, by a number of people."

"There is no reason whatever that the exhibition should not be an unqualified success," Major Duclos said, "and result in a boom for British Empire goods. I have had considerable experience in similar projects with the Empire Marketing Board, in the old country. They are a success there, why not here?" "I fervently hope," and it is a reasonable probability that the event will become an annual affair. There is also some talk of instituting a permanent Empire Exhibition here."

At the exhibition on Monday there will be a display of flowers and poultry, and the Canadian section will show among other things celery, lettuce, apples, tinned goods, butter, cheese, potatoes, rolled oats and flour.

In regard to the latter commodity, there is not a very big market in Hong Kong for Canadian flour at the present time, as it is a better quality than that used by the general public. Two Austrians were among the industrial exhibitors.

Mr. S. T. Williamson would be in charge of the Australian and New Zealand section, and Mrs. J. B. Newell in charge of the South African section.

Mr. H. H. Phillips, the British Consul General in Shanghai, has intimated that he is coming down to Hong Kong for the Fair.

Inspector A. E. Clark, Divisional Inspector in charge of Yaumati district, is proceeding on home leave with his wife and son on the P. & O. ship Chitral tomorrow. During his absence, Inspector J. S. P. Booker will be Divisional Inspector, Yaumati.

Ireland's Age-Old Fight With England

Sir Austen Chamberlain
On The Treaty

STRUGGLE OVER THE OATH
REVIEWED.

WHEN WAR THREATENED

In view of the final passage of the Bill to abolish the Oath of Allegiance, which was secured by 77 votes to 69 in the Irish Free State Dail yesterday, the following illuminating article on the Irish Treaty by Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary in the Conservative Government, is of timely interest.

The Irish Treaty is little more than ten years old, writes Sir Austen Chamberlain in the Daily Telegraph of March 29. It was signed on December 6, 1921. Yet of the men who signed it four have already passed away. Arthur Griffith, leader of the Irish Delegation, died within a few months, worn out by toil and suffering; Michael Collins was murdered during the troubles which followed upon the establishment of the Free State and the withdrawal of the British forces.

Birkenhead and Worthington-Evans lived some years longer, and passed away in peace, but they, too, died mid-way in their careers, leaving to their friends not only the memory of fine service faithfully performed, but lasting regret for the work they might still have done had their lives been spared to the allotted span.

Lord Birkenhead in Council. Birkenhead played a vital part in the negotiation of the agreement, upon which I could never have entered without his aid. I well remember a morning soon after the first opening of communications with Mr. De Valera, when he walked into my room in Downing Street just as I was telephoning to say that I must see him.

"You and I," he said, "bear a great load of responsibility. Unless we are agreed, we shall smash the party and destroy any chance of settlement. It is time we each knew exactly where the other stands."

And then he proceeded to explain his views with that clarity and brevity which always distinguished him in council. I found that he had come to say to me what I had meant to say to him, and thenceforth we co-operated without a shade of difference throughout the long negotiations, the many conferences, and the Parliamentary struggle which followed.

Cool, With Nerves of Steel. To the public he sometimes showed himself cynical, flippant and violent. To his colleagues in any time of difficulty or crisis he was a tower of strength—the most loyal and unselfish of friends, careless for himself but careful for them; gay and light-hearted in moments of ease; serious, cool-headed and with nerves of steel in time of stress and danger. The very fact that life was to him a gallant adventure, to be as gallantly encountered, created a link between him and Michael Collins without which we might never have reached agreement.

Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins were the outstanding figures among the Irish Delegation. United in their passionate love of Ireland, in all else they were as different as two men can be.

Griffith, small, quiet, drab, almost insignificant in appearance, with the air of a tired scholar worn out by too much burning of the midnight oil; Collins, tall of stature, with swaggering gait, loud voice and noisy laughter, a figure that seemed to belong to the open spaces and the rough life of frontier settlements or mining camps.

What exact part he played in the murderous outrages of those troubled times, I do not know. There had been a price set on his own head, and he would have met short shrift had he fallen into the hands of those who sought his capture. He bore us no malice for it; to him it was the fortune of war.

He told with humour the story of his narrow escapes, and at such moments was the spirit of Irish recklessness and fun.

The fighting and its grime, accompanied by murder and arson, were to him but incidents in the battle for freedom. He held the lives of his enemies as cheaply as he held his own.

He had his own code of honour, and to it he was true; but it was not mine, and between him and me there could be no real sympathy, and perhaps only partial understanding. It was not the least of Birkenhead's services in the Conference that he did enter into Michael Collins's mind, won his sympathy and secured his confidence.

To Arthur Griffith all this bloodshed was abhorrent. There was nothing of the swashbuckler or corner-boy about him. He had been a student of history and politics, and if I mistake not—at one time a college lecturer.

He had thought that he could find a model for the future relations of Ireland and Great Britain in some modification of the constitution of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and had published a thoughtful book in which he examined this possibility. But the Great War had intervened, the union of Austria and Hungary had been dissolved, and he had in the main ceased to regard their former relationship as a suitable model on which to base the future Irish settlement.

Griffith Always Calm. Some new solution had to be worked out, and he was ready, and even eager, to consider calmly and dispassionately any scheme which, whilst recognising the national status of Ireland and securing freedom from British interference in its internal affairs, would continue its association with the British Empire and give peace to its distracted people.

He had, I think, no hatred of England in his heart; he was ready, as so few Irishmen are, to forget and therefore, to forgive, and though he stood firmly by what he conceived to be the rights of Irish nationhood, he was broadminded enough to understand, and within those limits to endeavour to meet the British point of view.

Differing as the two men did in outward appearance, in their outlook on life, in their previous training and in the methods by which they pursued their ends, they were united in their devotion to their country's cause and in their desire for peace.

Collins's Gay Recklessness. Collins, for all his spirit of recklessness and devil-may-care ways, was not without a sense of realities. In the hard school of experience he had been forced to recognise that, whilst he could continue the fight and inflict infinite trouble and loss on England and her friends, there could be but one end to the struggle if England persisted; and that, even if wearied of so much bloodshed and of so thankless a task, she finally abandoned the struggle, Ireland's ruin would have been accomplished before that end was reached.

In the offer of the British Government, if sincerely meant and loyally pursued, they saw the opportunity to realise all that was essential to their aims and to save their native land from anarchy and destruction. Collins, no less than Griffith, desired peace.

Far different was that dark spirit who accompanied them and their colleagues as secretary of the Irish delegation. Erskine Childers was the nephew of a Cabinet Minister, who in Mr. Gladstone's Government had been successively First Lord of the Admiralty, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Secretary of State for War.

He had become known before the Great War as the author of that brilliant story, "The Riddle of the Sands," and in the way itself he had fought gallantly in the British Air Force. Thereafter, amidst how or why I will not speculate, he had

thrown himself into the Sinn Féin cause, and, as is apt to be the way with converts, his new faith burned with the intensest flame. Here was no will for peace, no desire for conciliation.

Erskine Childers's love for England had turned to inextinguishable hate. Once again the old adage was illustrated in his person; he had become more Irish than the Irish themselves. I see him sitting with his back to the window behind Arthur Griffith's chair, aloof and hostile.

Is it a mere trick of fancy that when I try to conjure up his features, his face is always in shadow—as dark as the thoughts behind it? He, too, met a tragic fate as a rebel against the Free State which issued from the Conference.

Struggle Over the Oath. This is no place to write the history of the Conference. It dragged on for weeks; more than once it was on the brink of disaster. Its first sitting was held on October 11; the end did not come till December 5.

On that day we sat morning and afternoon and late into the night. The Ulster Parliament was to meet the next day, and Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, had promised Sir James Craig that he should know the result of the Conference before the opening of its session.

Yet we seemed as far from agreement as ever; indeed, the prospect of any agreement seemed to have receded since we last met. All the old questions were reopened; the Irish delegates appeared to have gone back on the decisions already reached. The Conference adjourned for lunch.

Once again the chance of settlement seemed likely to be shipwrecked on the position of Ulster.

Time was passing. It was already evident that the messenger to Sir James Craig would be unable to catch the boat train, and special arrangements were made for his journey.

Then Mr. Lloyd George appealed to Arthur Griffith, reminding him that he had undertaken that, if we consented to such a provision for Ulster as we now offered to him, he would not let us down.

Griffith answered, simply, "I said I would not let you down on that, and I won't."

Again the discussion was resumed, and roamed over many points. At last the Prime Minister put the decisive question: Were they prepared to stand by the agreement as now drawn?

Griffith replied that he was, but he still spoke only for himself.

Allegiance or Quick War. That, said the Prime Minister, was not enough; if we signed, we should sign as a delegation and stake the life of the Government on our signature. Was the Irish Delegation prepared to do the same?

"I have to communicate with Sir James Craig to-night. Here are the alternative letters which I have prepared, one enclosing the Articles of Agreement reached by his Majesty's Government and yourselves, and the other saying that the Sinn Féin representatives refuse the oath of allegiance and refuse to come within the Empire."

"If I send this letter, it is war—war within three days! Which letter am I to send?"

And he concluded with a passionate appeal to them to think again before they rejected so generous a settlement.

It was now nearly eight o'clock. The Conference adjourned to meet again at ten. It was 11.20 before the Irish delegates returned; what struggles had passed within the Delegation during those hours we could only conjecture, but the atmosphere had changed.

Some explanations were asked and given; the meaning of some passages was made clearer.

The Delegation Sign. The Prime Minister thereupon asked whether, if these changes were accepted by the British Government, the Irish representatives would sign as a delegation and recommend the agreement with their united strength to the Dail.

This time Griffith replied, in the name of them all, that they would. "Then," said the Prime Minister, "we accept."

A braver man than Arthur Griffith I have never met.

Here is a problem for the psychologist. The day had been one of unrelieved strain. The tension reached its height during the long wait for the return of the Irish delegates in the evening. Peace or war—the issue still hung in the balance.

But there is a limit to human endurance; the reaction came. I recall that as we waited our talk was of the merriest, and the room rang with laughter.

Government And The Shing-Mun Scheme

Work To Be Commenced
Immediately

HOME SANCTION SOUGHT

DR. KOTEWALL'S SUGGESTION
NOT ACCEPTED.

Assurance was given by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council that the Government was in entire agreement with the Unofficial members with regard to the necessity of immediately commencing work on the second section of the Shing-Mun Scheme, and assured the meeting that the views expressed by the Unofficial Members would be telegraphed to the Home Authorities, in order that sanction might be secured as soon as possible.

The Government did not accept the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall's suggestion of an experimental scheme for relieving the hardship of those who have to carry water at the street fountains. However, it was indicated that it was proposed to take certain action in this direction, and that the expenditure of about \$25,000 would make it possible to give longer hours of water supply at the street fountains, the number of which is to be doubled within the next ten days or so. The supply through meters is likely to be further curtailed.

At a subsequent meeting of the Finance Committee a vote for the sum named was readily approved.

DR. KOTEWALL'S QUESTIONS.

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D., pursuant to notice, asked the following questions standing to his name:—

1. In view of the great hardship which residents of the rider main districts are suffering in having to obtain their water supply from the street fountains in this hot weather, will the Government, as an experiment, restore the supply to the houses in these districts on the same restriction in respect of hours of supply, so as to give the people an opportunity to prove that, in the present acute state of the water situation, they are able to keep down consumption of water obtained through such direct supply, to the same level as that through the street supply; on the understanding that every effort is made by the three Chinese members of the Legislative Council to impress upon the people the imperative necessity for conserving every drop of water, and that the street supply will be reverted to, should it be found that the consumption of a direct house supply appreciably exceeds that of a street fountain.

2. Will the Government state whether any houses in the rider-main districts have been disconnected from the rider-mains and, if so, will it give the reasons for its action, in view of the statement made by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, in this Council on September 23, 1929 (Hansard 1929, p. 232), namely:—"It will, of course, be impossible to discard the rider-main system until there is an assured supply of water available both on the island and on the mainland throughout the year; and the Government will certainly give this Council an opportunity to debate the matter before the rider-mains are abolished."

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S REPLY.

Replying for the Government, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., O.B.E., acting Colonial Secretary, said:—

1. The Government does not feel justified in re-opening the rider-mains. The Director of Public Works has a scheme under consideration by which a longer period of supply can be given from street fountains, while a shorter supply will be made available for those on metered supplies. It is hoped that this scheme will be ready for operation in the course of the next few days. It is not considered safe to allow unmetered supplies in houses until the position improves.

2. In February last, it was decided in Executive Council that

universal meterage should be introduced as soon as possible, and that in the rider main districts the cost of transferring existing house-services from the rider mains to principal mains should be borne by public funds. Considerable progress has been made with this scheme, and a large number of meters have been fixed within the Rider Main Areas. The Government will give this Council an opportunity to discuss the proposal for the abolition of the rider main system generally before the filling of the reservoirs makes the reintroduction of the rider main system a practical possibility.

SIR HENRY POLLOCK'S MOTION.

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C., then moved the following resolution:—

That the Unofficial Members of this Council in view of the present serious recurrent water shortage, respectfully urge the Hong Kong Government to press the Home Authorities immediately to sanction the commencement of the second section of the Shing Mun Water Scheme.

Emphatic Protest.

In doing so he said:— This motion is being made as an emphatic protest by the united body of Unofficial Members against any further delay by the Home Authorities in sanctioning the commencement of the Second section of the Shing Mun scheme, and also in the hope that it may strengthen the hands of the Hong Kong Government, which Unofficial Members cannot doubt is fully alive to the serious gravity of the present water-situation.

This grave situation, seeing that this Colony is dependent upon reservoir storage, combined with catchwaters, for its water supply, can only be relieved by the immediate commencement and urgent pushing on to completion of the large dam at Shing-Mun, with its potential storage of 3,000 million gallons, together with its necessary catchwaters.

Resolution of 1929. On July 18, 1925, the following resolution which was a form of resolution then proposed by me, as amended to meet the views of the then Governor, H. E. Sir Cecil Clementi, was unanimously passed in this Council (See Hansard 1929 p. 111):—

"That, in the opinion of this Council it is imperative in the interests of this Colony that permanent measures to increase the water supply of the Colony should be pressed on with the utmost despatch."

Pressing Need of Adequate Supply.

Again, in the debate on the Budget on September 19, in that year I, speaking on behalf of all the Unofficial Members of Council, said:—"Another pressing need is an adequate water supply. It seems most regrettable that your Excellency is not even now able to lay before us definite waterworks extension proposals under the second section of the Shing-Mun scheme, seeing that the full needs of Hong Kong Island are not (as we gather from Mr. Henderson's reports) met under present arrangements; and even with the pipe-line across the Harbour and the building of the Aberdeen Reservoir up to a later period than the year 1932."

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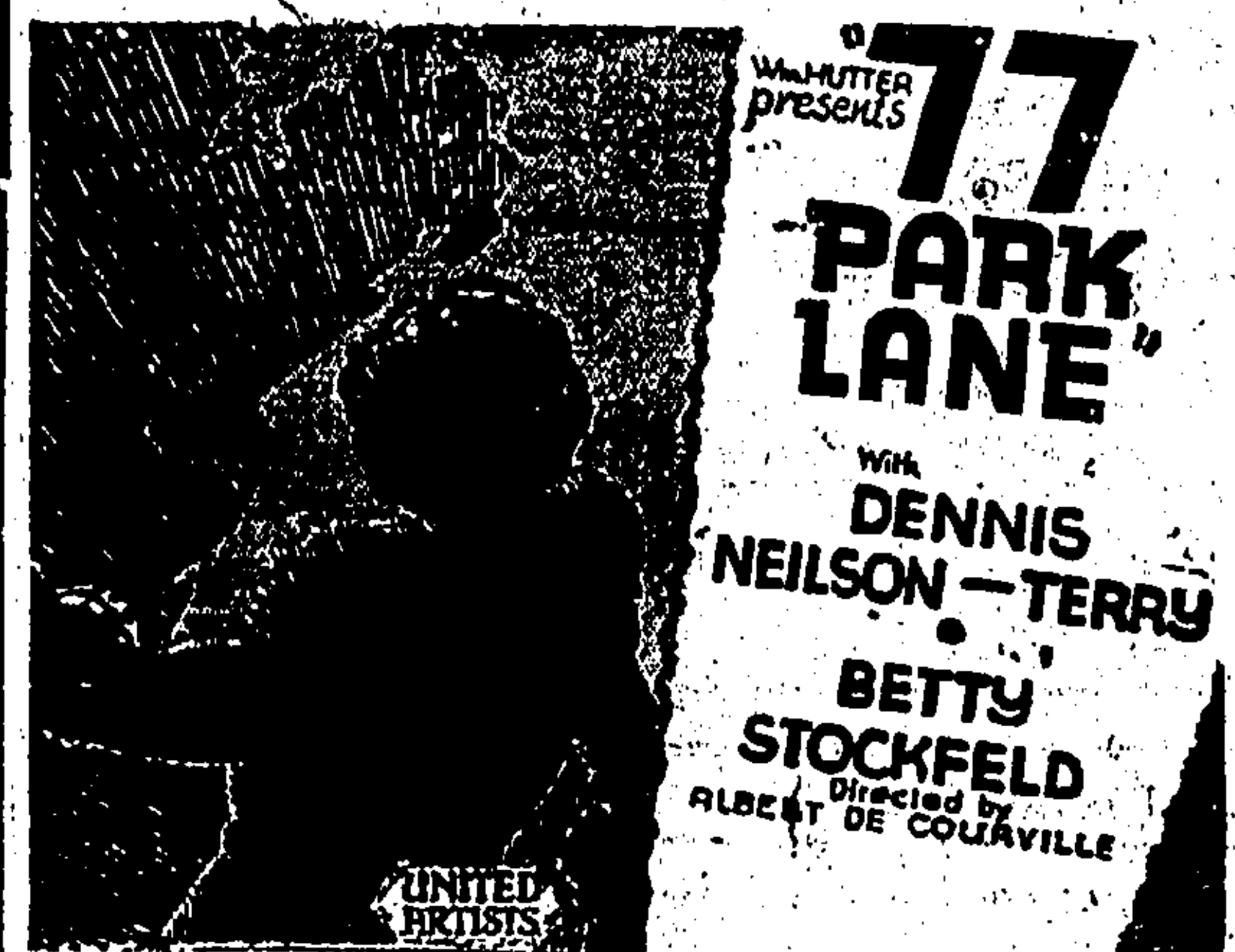
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"NOT MAD, BUT A PUBLIC NUISANCE."

Man Who Likes Bumping Into People.
SHOP ASSISTANT CHARGED.

An assault on Miss Edith Soares, by a Chinese in Pedder Street on Wednesday, when, it is alleged, he purposely bumped into her, had a sequel in the Central Police Court this morning.

Yunk Kwok-wah, aged 20 years, described as a shop assistant, was charged before Mr. Wynne-Jones with assaulting Miss Soares. John Murphy asked for a remand of seven days, opposing bail.

Asked for his reason, Inspector Murphy replied that it was for the protection of the public that the man should be kept in custody, as when he is abroad, he might repeat the attack.

His Worship suggested if that was so, the man was mad.

Inspector Murphy—I don't think he is mad. If your Worship grants bail, I would like it in a substantial sum, please.

His Worship remanded accused for a week, granting bail in the sum of \$500—half in cash and half in bond.

SHARE MARKET.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: No important changes took place at this morning's session, but prices are still holding firm, which is due to the continued demand for shares.

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WHITE WOMAN SENTENCED IN INDIA.

Allahabad, Yesterday.
The Irish woman, Savitri Devi, was sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment to-day for harbouring a proclaimed revolutionary and absconder, Yashpal, and possessing unlicensed arms. Savitri Devi is the daughter of an Irish missionary and was employed as teacher in a girls' school here. She married a Moslem and later embraced Hinduism.

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GOVERNMENT AND THE SHING-MUN SCHEME.

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Also it must be borne in mind that the construction of the big Shing-Mun Dam, which apparently is the corner-stone of the second section scheme, will take many years to complete even after the plans for it have been drawn up and decided on.

Grave Doubts Expressed.

Again at p. 179 of Hansard I said:—

"We venture, however, to express grave doubts whether, unless the Government very speedily indeed gets on with the construction of the big dam at Shing-Mun, it will be reasonably practicable for the Government for some years to come to discard the rider-main system. We would, therefore, most strongly urge the Government to press on with the plans for the construction of the big dam in the Shing-Mun gorge and with the building of the dam itself."

Sir Shou-sun Chow's Views.

And, in the course of the same debate (see Hansard at page 193):—

"The Honourable Sir Shou-sun Chow, speaking on behalf of himself and the other two Chinese Members, after pointing out the hardships then suffered by the poorer classes of Chinese, said:—

"Sir, we cannot afford a recurrence of that most distressing condition. It must be prevented with all the means and energy at the command of the Government. All the permanent schemes should be decided upon and pressed on, with the greatest possible speed, without a single day's avoidable delay."

Equally emphatic were the remarks of the Honourable Sir Shou-sun Chow on October 20, 1930 (see Hansard 1930 p. 199), in speaking for all the Unofficial Members jointly.

Engineers Visit Colony.

Finally it was decided to place the work in the hands of an eminent firm of consulting engineers in England, Sir Alexander Binnie Son & Deacon, and, in January of last year, Mr. Gourley of that firm paid a visit of inspection to this Colony and in the Autumn Mr. Binnie came out here, with the result that, on December 10 last year, (see Hansard: 1931 at page 209) His Excellency the present Governor stated in this Council as follows:—

"The position with regard to the second section is that the scheme has been submitted to the Consulting Engineers, and two members of the firm have been out here and have approved of it. The question was referred to the Secretary of State in the first instance and it was held over temporarily for that report. He expressed some views on the subject as to whether we could afford the total cost. It is a very expensive scheme, but I strongly pointed out in a despatch which included a reference to the Gaol, that not only was it an essential work, vital to the Colony, but that I considered our financial position was amply good enough to permit of the scheme being proceeded with at

once. In the telegram in which the Secretary of State approved of the Gaol being paid for out of loan funds, he merely stated, with regard to the second section of the Shing-Mun scheme, that we must wait a little until he had seen the Consulting Engineers' Report, I assume, therefore, that, if the second report is favourable, we shall be allowed to proceed with it."

An Absurd Suggestion.

With reference, Sir, to those remarks of H. E. the Governor it seems to me absurd to suggest that this Colony, whose actual revenue for 1931 exceeded the estimated revenue by more than three and a half millions of dollars, cannot afford to pay for such a vital necessity as water, which is far more necessary to this Colony and its expansion than even a new Gaol.

Since then, we must assume, in the absence of any news to the contrary, that the report of Mr. Binnie was favourable to the construction of the new dam as an engineering feat; and yet here we are still waiting for the assent of the Secretary of State to our proposals for the financing of work which was declared by the unanimous vote of this Council, Official as well as Unofficial, on the 18th July, 1929, to be work requiring to be "pressed on with the utmost despatch."

Difficult to be Patient.

It is difficult to be patient in the fact of such delay on the part of the Home Authorities in sanctioning the necessary expenditure on such an urgent and pressing need as a pure water-supply, especially bearing in mind the fact that, if we commenced work upon the second section of the Shing-Mun scheme to-morrow, it would probably take from two to three years before we should obtain even a partial increase of our water supply by the partial construction of the big dam.

From the middle of 1928 down to the middle of 1929, as was pointed out by the late Governor (see Hansard 1929 at p. 134) the rainfall was only about 38 inches. From October 1, last, until the middle of May this year the rainfall was only about 16½ inches. I quote these figures merely for the purpose of emphasising the point that we are always liable to a recurrent water shortage in this Colony if we have a dry Autumn followed by a dry Winter and Spring, and that our only salvation lies in the promptest pushing on with the big Shing-Mun dam.

Dam Must Take Precedence.

In conclusion I do most strongly, on behalf of the Unofficial Members, urge Your Excellency to convey to the Right Honourable The Secretary of State for the Colonies our protest against the delays which have taken place in the sanctioning of the commencement of this most vital and necessary scheme for the welfare of this Colony.

This dam must, in our opinion, take precedence over every other Public Work.

HON. DR. KOTTEWALL SECONDS.
The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kottewall, C.M.G., LL.D., said:—

I beg to second the motion. The ground is so well covered by the honourable senior unofficial member that very little remains for me to say.

There can be no question that the most pressing problem now confronting the Colony is our water supply. Representing as I do the preponderant element in the population, I urge with all emphasis that not another day's avoidable delay in commencing the second section of the Shing-Mun scheme should be permitted. In view of the great hardship entailed on the poorer classes whenever a restriction on the water supply is imposed.

Home Action Inexplicable.

Time and again during the last three years have the unofficial members of this Council pressed on the Government the imperative need of pushing on with the work; and it is inexplicable why, in face of these strong representations and of the equally strong opinion expressed by His Excellency the Governor as quoted by the honourable senior unofficial member, the Secretary of State should have held up this most essential and urgent undertaking.

I should like to repeat here what the Hon. Sir Shou-sun Chow and the other Chinese Members have said on this subject, and I am sure that the Government will take note of it.

viate, at least for some years, the necessity for restrictions on the water supply, with all their attending hardships and inconvenience.

GOVERNMENT'S ACCEPTANCE.

The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., Acting Colonial Secretary, said:—

The Government can readily accept the motion of the Senior Unofficial Member and in fact has already anticipated it by despatching a telegram to the Secretary of State on May 11, setting out the present water shortage and the consequent restrictions as still further reason for pressing on at once with the Gorge Valley Reservoir at Shing Mun.

A short history of the more recent negotiations in connection with the Shing Mun Scheme will I hope serve to satisfy Honourable Members that there has been no undue delay in pressing on with it. A dam of this height, storing water to a depth of 200 feet falls into the Category of the World's Large engineering problems, and every step taken demands the most extreme circumspection. The services of an English firm Messrs. Sir Alexander Binnie, Son and Deacon, with a very wide specialised experience in this kind of work were therefore enlisted—and on January 9, 1931, Mr. Gourley, a partner in the firm, came out to inspect the site selected and its possibilities. The data were not then sufficient for him to return a final opinion, and more exploration work was called for.

Scheme Reported Sound.

On October 3, 1931, Mr. Binnie of the same firm came to inspect the foundations, which had in the meantime been opened up, and finally reported that the Scheme as proposed was a sound one. The not unimportant question of finance remained, and the Secretary of State required figures which would justify Hong Kong in incurring the necessary loan—and it must not be forgotten that this work was not the only one on the Loan List, though it is much the largest and the most important contemplated. 1931 was a difficult financial year, but very full figures, containing all available information, were sent to the Secretary of State on March 10, 1932, in support of the Government's view that finance need no longer stand in the way and that the work could and should be undertaken at once. We hope we have now satisfied the Secretary of State on the Engineering features of the Scheme and the ability of the Colony to finance it; and nothing has been or will be left undone to show the great urgency. Government indeed welcomes this further opportunity for despatching another cable to convey to the Secretary of State the views of the Honourable Unofficial Members that have been so strongly expressed to-day.

In view of the admitted seriousness of the situation I will now ask the Director of Public Works to make a statement on the present position of the Water Supply and the new proposals for distribution.

STATEMENT BY D.P.W.

The Hon. H. T. Creasy, C.B.E., Director of Public Works, said:—

The total quantity of water stored in the Reservoirs of the Colony today is 781 million gallons, being 573 million gallons in Hong Kong and 158 million gallons in Kowloon.

On Wednesday, May 11, it was deemed necessary to cut down the supply throughout the Colony to seven hours a day, and since then careful watch has been kept both on the consumption and the distribution of this supply.

After full investigation it is now considered that neither the reduction in consumption nor the distribution of the present supply is satisfactory, and that further restriction is necessary.

Present Supplies Must Be Cut.

The present supplies on both sides of the harbour must be cut down, and the proportion of the supply taken through meters should be reduced, as street fountain consumers are at present not getting an equitable share.

Under the existing systems of supply through meters and street fountains, both of the same main, it is not possible to restrict either supply separately, the result being that, while there appears to be considerable hardship amongst those drawing their supplies from street fountains, metered consumers enjoy a comparatively generous supply.

To reduce the hours of supply to any considerable extent under the existing system would throw the burden of restriction still more on those using street fountains, and would be a most inequitable arrangement.

It is proposed in the case of the Central and Western Districts of Hong Kong to utilize the existing isolated trunk main in Caine Road, and connect to it a series of temporary subsidiary mains running down towards the harbour and carrying a large number of street fountains. In the case of the Eastern District of Hong Kong and the Kowloon Districts, it is proposed to isolate certain suitably placed trunk mains and connect to them a large number of street fountains.

It would then be possible to give a supply to these subsidiary fountains during the period when all other supplies are cut off.

Method of Supply.

On completion of these alterations it is proposed to give one period of full supply to the whole community, including the fountains, on the existing mains, and thereafter as long a period of additional supply as possible through the new subsidiary fountains.

By this method full control of the supply will be regained, distribution will be more equitable and any immediate necessity for the importation of water and the erection of tanks should be obviated.

If approved, the necessary works will be carried out as expeditiously as possible. It is hoped that this system of supply will be brought into operation in a week or ten days.

The number of the new street fountains to be fixed on the new subsidiary mains and trunk mains will not be less than the existing number of fountains on the present supply mains.

By reducing the hours of supply to metered services it is anticipated that a 12 hours' supply can be given through the new fountains on the subsidiary mains.

Member's Question.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—I take it, when the Director of Public Works said just now that the number of new street fountains to be fixed on the new subsidiary mains and trunk mains will not be less than the existing number of fountains on the present supply main, meant that the number of fountains altogether would be double?

Director of Public Works:—Yes. During the period that the meter supply and the subsidiary supply are on.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—I will now, Sir, formally ask—so that the Unofficial Members may have an opportunity of recording their vote—that this matter be put to the vote so that it may be seen they are all in favour of the motion which I have proposed. It is not, of course, for the Official Members to vote.

H.E.'s Remarks.

His Excellency:—There is very little for me to add to the remarks of the Colonial Secretary in replying to the Senior Unofficial Member's motion. The Government accepts the motion of the Senior Unofficial Member and members may rest assured that the importance and urgency of proceeding with the second section of the Shing-Mun scheme is fully appreciated by the Government, and I shall not fail to convey the views of the Unofficial Members of this Council to the Secretary of State.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—By telegram, Sir?

His Excellency:—Yes.

Unanimous Vote.

A vote was then taken and Unofficial Members unanimously supported the motion.

The following announcement was made by the acting Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, when presiding at the meeting of the Finance Committee: "There is one further matter for the Committee. You heard the scheme outlined by the Honourable Director of Public Works for a better rider main supply. It will involve a cost of \$25,000. It is estimated and as the Government has approved of this scheme we would like to proceed at once with it so that the Director of Public Works can have the whole scheme in working order within the time that he mentioned a few days ago—seven to ten days, I think. There has been no time to put the formal vote before you this afternoon, but we want the informal approval of the Committee to proceed with the work at once."

Hon. Mr. To:—Will the present supply be distributed during the time the improvements are being made?

The Chairman:—In the way of the new street fountains, the supply will be distributed.



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JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Andes Maru	Tues.	7th June
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROT- TERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Kinai Maru	Fri.	20th May
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Hague Maru	Fri.	3rd June
BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo.	Honolulu Maru	Fri.	20th May
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon.	Hokan Maru	Sun.	29th May
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (8 p.m. every Sun- day).	Deli Maru	Thurs.	2nd June
JAPAN PORTS via Takao & Keelung.			
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Noon).			

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Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI-MING	FRI. 20th	SUN. 22nd	MON. 23rd	TUES. 24th
TAI HING	MON. 23rd	WED. 25th	THURS. 26th	FRI. 27th
TAI MING	WED. 25th	FRI. 27th	SAT. 28th	SUN. 29th
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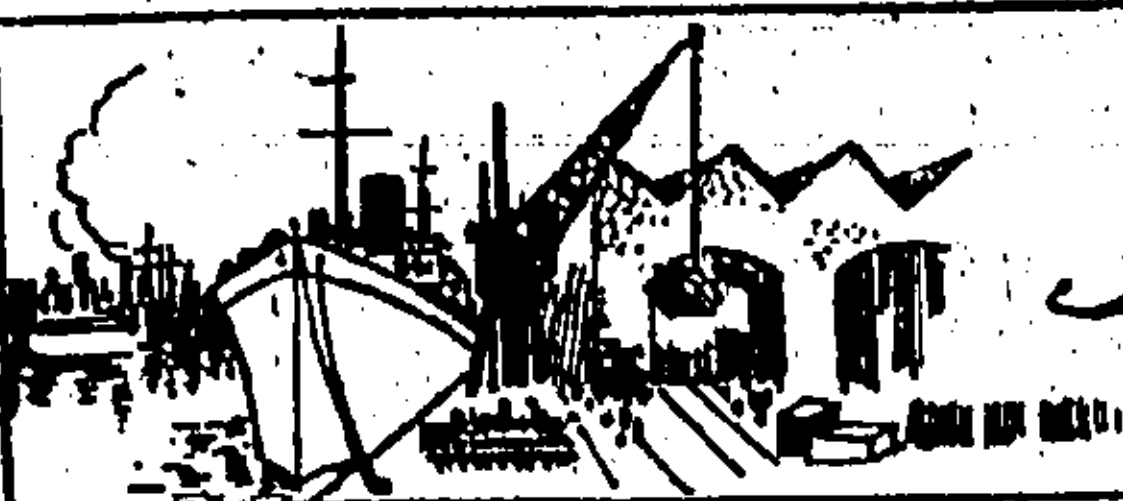
WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships
were in harbour to-day:—
Cordoba—West wall.
Orpheus—In dock.
Sandwich—South wall.
Seahorse—East wall.
Tiger—Barricade.
Tartar—East wall.
Vernon—In dock.

Veteran—In dock.
Whitabed—North arm.
Wild Swan—West wall.
Foreign Man-of-War.
Argus—French gunboat.

CONSIGNEES NOTICE.

Consignees of cargo at L. H. H.
are requested to take de-
livery of their goods which will
be subject to rent after May 23.



HARBOUR OFFICE.

Good Freight Figures Yesterday.

The Harbour Office Reports for
the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yester-
day gave a free movement of ves-
sels with a high tonnage.
Freights were up to the mark, both
the inwards and throughs reach-
ing five figures. The total tonnage
entered was 55,384.

There were 14 inward regis-
tries, of which six were British
and four of four figures, while of
the 13 throughs, six were British
and nine of four figures. Three
vessels arrived in ballast.

Passengers entered during the
period included 187 Europeans and
1,673 Asiatic deck, British
vessels carrying 1,370 out of the
total in all classes.

Details follow:—

Arr. H'Kong Dep. Through

Nationality Tons Cargo Tons

British 0 5,794 6 7,795

German 1 3,084 - 4,894

Norwegian 3 1,845 1 8,301

Japanese 3 1,344 3 9,399

Chinese 2 740 1 1,000

Danish - - - 1 -

Portuguese - - - 1 -

18 12,807 13 31,390

JAPAN'S SHIPPING.

Some Revival of Trade With
Shanghai.

There has been a marked im-
provement in shipping to Shanghai,
says the Japan Chronicle. The
N.Y.K. reports full cargoes for its
vessels. It is problematical, how-
ever, whether this favourable situa-
tion will continue permanently.

It is only a little over three weeks
since warlike operations have come
to an end, but there are already
signs of the cargo movement in-
creasing. Of four N.Y.K. vessels
which left for Shanghai since peace
was restored, the first two were
rather disappointing, but the next
vessel, the Kasagi Maru, secured
cargoes totalling 3,050 tons; 600
tons of machinery and sundry goods
from Osaka, 1,500 tons of raw cot-
ton, sugar and sundry goods from
Kobe, and 950 tons of cement and
sundry goods from Moji. The
fourth vessel, the Yawata Maru left
Kobe recently with 1,500 tons of
raw cotton and will take 500 tons
of sugar in Moji.

It must be remembered, however,
that sugar shipments have been
made to forestall higher import
duties effective on April 1. Raw
cotton cargoes are those which have
been stored in Kobe and other ports
pending the restoration of peace in
Shanghai. Cement is needed for
reconstruction work. Cotton goods
are not likely to move in the imme-
diate future, so that the outlook
cannot be viewed with optimism.

Lower Freight for South America.
The N.Y.K. has now reduced its
freight rate on cotton goods for
South America from \$15 to \$13.75
per 40 cubic feet. The first vessel
enjoying the new rate will be the
Rakuyo Maru. The reason for the
present reduction is to compete with
the Dollar Line, it is stated.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS

Wednesday, May 18.
Chungking, British str., 1,311 tons,
Capt. J. R. Nisbet, from Can-
ton, buoy No. C5.—B. & S.

Thursday, May 19.
Askeladden, Norwegian str., 1,431
tons, Capt. L. Kvaude, from
Sabang, Stonecutters Anchor-
age.—K. Larsen & Co.

Honolulu Maru, Japanese str.,
3,541 tons, Capt. S. Matsuda,
from Moji, Stonecutters An-
chorage.—O.S.K.

Kinai Maru, Japanese str., 5,046
tons, Capt. T. Yamaguchi,
from Singapore, buoy No. A3.
—O.S.K.

Kiungchow, British str., 1,545
tons, Capt. A. N. Taylor, from
Canton, buoy No. B20.—
B. & S.

Michigan, American str., 3,474
tons, Capt. R. C. Lechner,
from Cebu, P.I., buoy No. A11.
—States S.S. Co.

Mikage Maru, Japanese str., 2,190
tons, Capt. I. Koda, from
Quang Yen, Kowloon Bay.—
Y. Sato & Co.

Nansenville, Norwegian str., 3,529
tons, Capt. Wergeland, from
Shanghai, Kowloon Dock.—
Bank Line.

Ningpo, British str., 1,223 tons,
Capt. Wm. Christie, from
Amoy, buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Ronsan Maru, Japanese str., 1,556
tons, Capt. O. Kamura, from
Newchwang, buoy No. B26.—
D.K.K.

Atsuta Maru, Japanese str., 4,940
tons, Capt. Y. Kawashima,
from Manila, buoy No. A6.—
N.Y.K.

Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons,
Capt. F. M. Booth, from Swa-
tow, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Teneriffa, Norwegian str., 3,496
tons, Capt. E. B. Evensen,
from Manila, buoy No. A7.—
Thoresen & Co.

CLEARANCES.

Thursday, May 19.
An Lee, for Canton.

Atsuta Maru, for Nagasaki.

Chekiang, for Dairen.

Crown City, for Manila.

Chungking, for Shanghai.

Cremor, for Singapore.

Deli Maru, for Swatow.

Halvard, for Singapore.

Havelland, for Dairen.

Hydrangea, for Swatow.

Kaying, for Canton.

Naldera, for Shanghai.

Pleiodon, for Tarakan.

Shun Chih, for Saigon.

Sunkong, for Kwoingchauwan.

Tjibadak, for Shanghai.

Yei Maru, for Keelung.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, MAY 20.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia
(London, April 30) Chitral
SATURDAY, MAY 21.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle,
April 30) President Madison
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Shanghai and Swatow Shantung
SUNDAY, MAY 22.
Japan Montevideo Maru
Shanghai and Amoy Tsinan

OUTWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, MAY 20.
Haiphong Canton 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Yang 3 p.m.
Hoilow, Pakhoi and Haiphong Kiungchow 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow Tai Ming 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt &
Europe via Marseilles Chitral
(Due Marseilles, June 17.)
K.P.O.
Parcels May 20, 4.30 p.m.
Registration May 21, 9 a.m.
Letters 10 a.m.
Shanghai 5 p.m.
Saigon 5 p.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 21.
Hoilow, Pakhoi and Haiphong Borneo 9.30 a.m.
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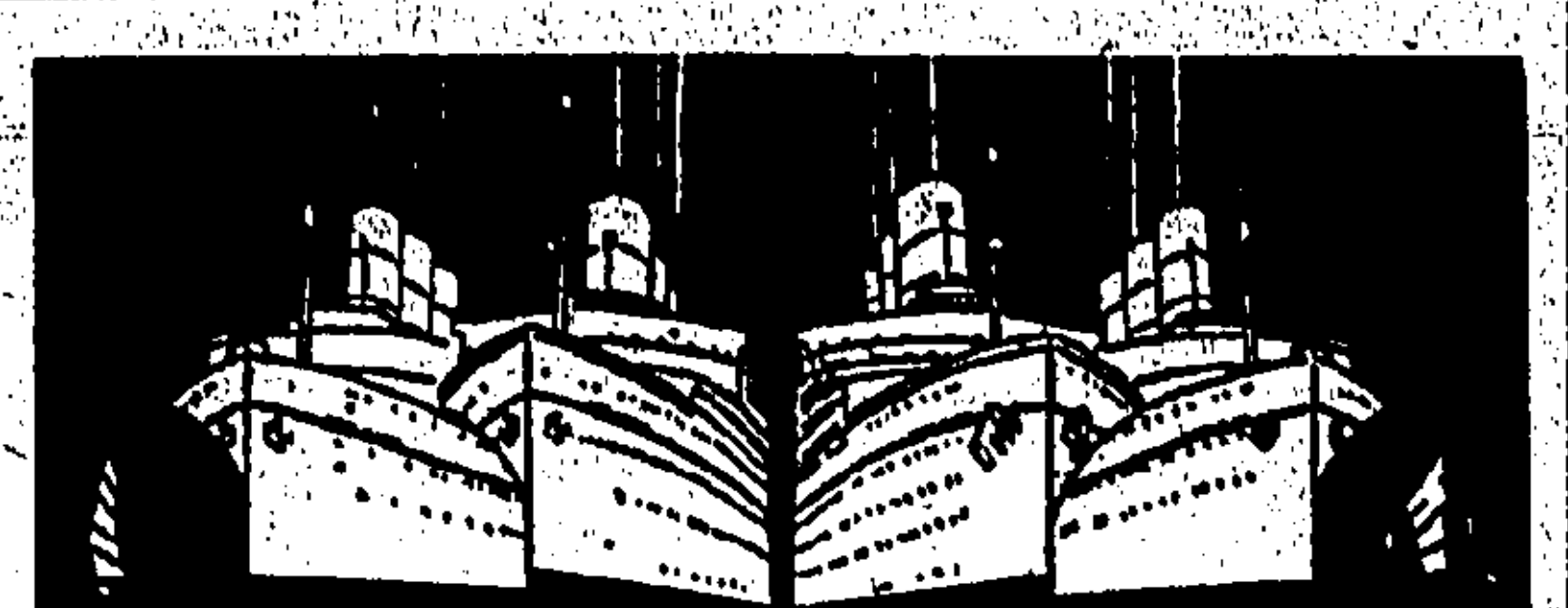
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Emp. of Russia	June 17	June 20	June 21	June 23	June 25		July 4
Emp. of Japan	July 1	July 4		July 6	July 8	July 14	July 19
Emp. of Asia	July 15	July 18	July 19	July 21	July 23		Aug. 1

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*BANGALORE	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
NALDERA	16,000	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	2nd July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BHUTAN	6,000	9th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTUA	11,000	30th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	6,800	6th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	13th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	17,000	27th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,500	3rd Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MALWA	11,000	10th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.

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*BHUTAN	6,000	1st June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	2nd June	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	2nd June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NANKIN	7,000	6th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yamanashi.
TAKADA	7,000	16th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOUDAN	6,800	22nd June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIRDHANA	8,000	30th June	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.

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SHIP MODELS.

Additions at Science Museum.

A number of additions have been made to the collection of ship models at the Science Museum, South Kensington, the earlier being a contemporary model of the St. Michael, an 1,100-ton ship built for the Navy by Sir John Tippetts at Portsmouth in 1669. This model, lent by Mr. Robert Spence, was identified as the St. Michael by the remarkable "god in the car" figurehead, which Mr. R. C. Anderson recognized from the two named drawings of the "St. Michael" by William Van de Velde the elder.

The ship was present at the battle of Solebay in 1672 and served as the flagship of the Duke of York (James II) after his original flagship, the Prince, had been badly damaged. A model of the Prince is already in the Museum and is accompanied in the gallery by the signed instructions for the Blue division issued from this flagship before the battle of Texel in 1673 by Sir Edward Sprigge. Two other contemporary ship models are also on view, one being a Stuart yacht lent by Mrs. Drogo Montagu, the other a 60-gun ship of 1682 lent by Mr. R. C. Anderson. Outside the Museum fewer than a dozen contemporary ship models survive from the time of Charles II.

An eighteenth-century war vessel, the 44-gun Charron, built in 1778, is represented by a model recently constructed from the original plans and lent by Major J. Baban Williams. Another interesting reconstruction of a vessel is to be in model of the Torrens, a celebrated passenger clipper of 1876, lent by Sir James Laing and Sons, who have made it from the original plans in the possession of the firm. The Torrens, which was built with an unusually long stern for the carriage of passengers, maintained an unusually long time for speed among all vessels plying between London and Adelaide; for some years Joseph Conrad served in the ship as mate.

Sir Frederick Maze has presented two fine rigged models, between 4ft and 5ft in length, of modern Chinese craft, a Swatow fishing boat and an Upper Yangtze trading junk. Both have the series of bulkheads, running the full width and depth of the ship, which have for generations divided Chinese vessels into watertight compartments. The fishing boat has curiously fan-like sails of matting, reinforced at intervals with battens, and a long deep rudder which serves some of the purposes of a centreboard. The junk has sails made of long strips of cloth, separated by gaps to "freshen the breeze," and a long sweep projecting from the bows, to ward off rocks or facilitate quick turning. Among more primitive craft which have been recently acquired are a model of a Shetland "Ness yole," lent by Mr. Arthur Johnston; a model of a round "Gufa," or pitch-covered basket-boat, from the Tigris, given by Sir Ernest Dowson, and a model of a Zanzibar canoe with outriggers upon either side, presented by Mr. G. S. Laird-Clowes.

A BUSY TIME!

Cupid Does Good Work on Mediterranean Cruise.

Four White Star liners berthed at the Prince's Stage, Liverpool, on April 9 within five hours. First came the Laurentic at nine o'clock from her 16-day Mediterranean cruise, followed immediately by the Britannic, which has been absent from the Mersey since December. At noon the Baltic embarked passengers for New York, and two hours later the Doric arrived from her 10-day scholars' cruise to the Mediterranean. The total number of passengers handled was 2,500, and the aggregate tonnage of the four ships was 86,500.

When the Laurentic arrived it was reported that no fewer than half-a-dozen couples had become engaged. "The weather has been simply glorious," said an official of the ship, "and dancing on deck at night has been a feature of the cruise."

The most popular meeting-place of the 1,100 school children during their 10-day Mediterranean cruise on the Doric was the "tuck" shop, and all the stocks, which included 800 gallons of ice cream and two tons of chocolate and coffee, were completely sold out. The children were full of exciting stories of their trip, and excursions were arranged at each port of call.

Landing at Morocco, they were taken to the old town of Tetuan, where they visited the ancient slipper market, mosques and bazaars. The ages of the children ranged from 9 to 17, and they were drawn from 49 different schools throughout the country. During her four months' absence from the Mersey the Britannic has made a series of pleasure cruises to the West Indies, and has travelled some 32,328 miles. She will now return to the company's Liverpool-New York service.

NEW SHIPPING COMPANY.

To Trade Between East and Australia.

A new shipping company with a capital of £10,000, has been formed in Sydney, the capital being all Australian subscribed. The company is to be named Australian Tramp Steamers Ltd., and Mr. R. Dundas Smith, well-known shipping representative of Sydney, has been appointed managing director. The object of the Australian Tramp Steamers Ltd., is to freight Australian products to the Near East, and possibly other parts of the world, if the venture is successful. Reports indicate that in all instances, bunker coal, stores, etc., will be purchased in Australia. To inaugurate the service the steamer Tarcoola, 2,673 tons gross, built in 1902, and lately owned by the Adelaide S.S. Company, Ltd., has been purchased, and will be manned by a British crew. It is intended that other tonnage will be purchased as occasion warrants. It is also stated that the new company's activities will in no way interfere with the regular services.

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HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12h. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

May 20 to 26, 1932.											
Date	High Water	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.
	Time	H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.	F. H. M.
Fri. 20	08 42	7.1	02	24	2.5	22 35	4.5	15	40	0.3	
Sat. 21	09 20	7.5	02	55	2.8	23 35	4.4	16	34	0.0	
Sun. 22	10 00	7.7	03	26	3.1	—	—	—	—	—	17 23 0.1
Mon. 23	00 35	4.2	03	55	3.4	10 44	7.7	18	25	0.2	
Tues. 24	01 35	4.1	04	30	3.6	11 29	7.6	19	25	0.4	
Wed. 25	02 45	4.1	05	04	3.9	12 16	7.1	20	24	0.7	
Thurs. 26	04 00	4.1	05	48	4.0	13 04	6.6	21	20	1.1	

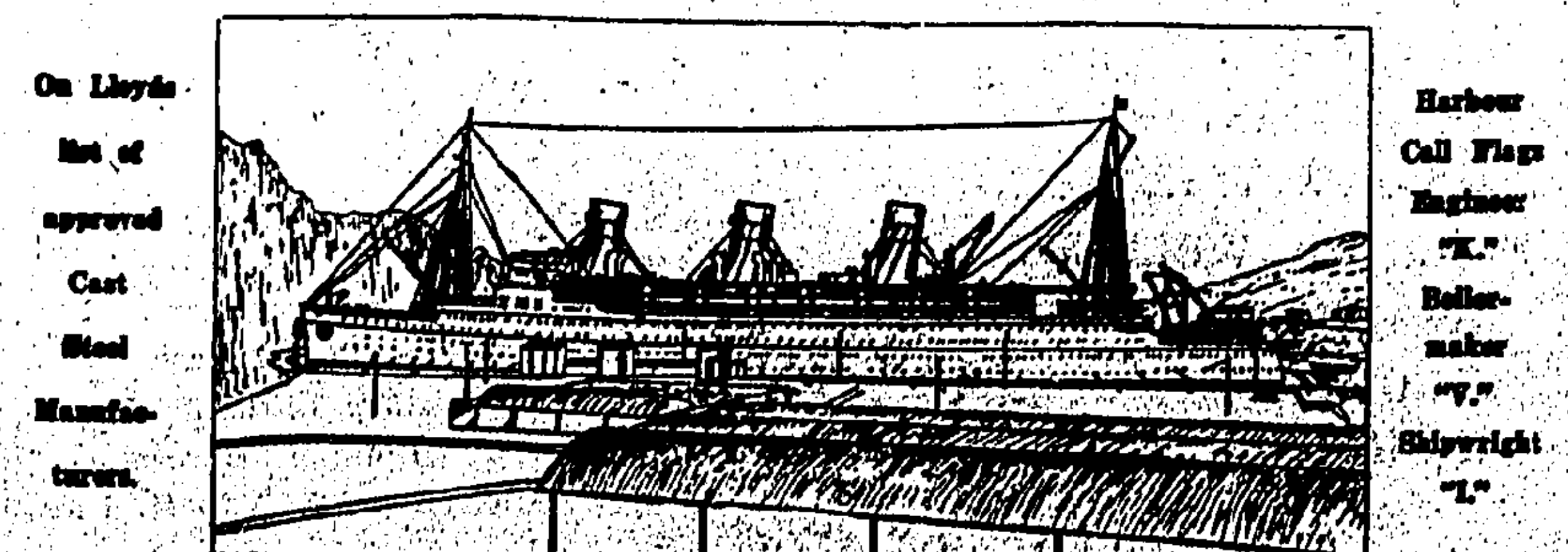
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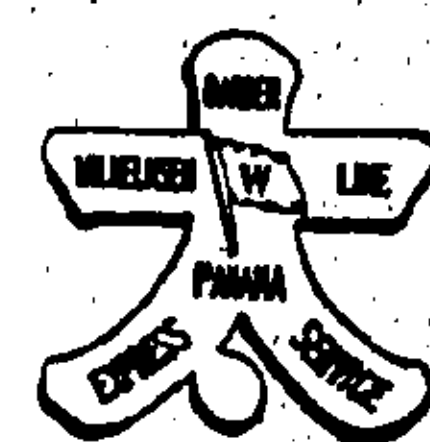
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In this connection the departure of Captain Edgell, the Assistant Hydrographer of the Navy, for Monaco to take part in an international hydrographic conference, is of interest. These hydrographic conferences, at which all the important maritime nations are represented, take place periodically, and are of the greatest value in obtaining the maximum advantage for all the world's shipping from the surveying activities of all nations.

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"HINDLE WAKES" AN OUTSTANDING
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"SUICIDE FLEET"—THRILLING DRAMA.

"The Cuban Love Song" Worth
While Seeing.

A very fine naval farce "The Middle Watch," which you may remember was performed here by the local amateurs a short while ago with great success. Owen Nares and Dodo Watts seen here recently in "Almost a Honeymoon"—and the American girl played by our old movie friend Jacqueline Logan. (Queen's).

The underworld flourishes anew in "The Last Parade." If you want to see the finest performance Jack Holt has given us, see this grim, stirring human drama. Tom Moore and the stage actress, Constance Cummings, give equally good performances. Coming shortly to the Central.

I hear that from every point of view, "Hindle Wakes" is an outstanding picture. You know it is a play of Lancashire life, and there may be some doubt in your mind whether you will understand the dialect. But with such artists as Sybil Thorndike, the late Norman McKinnel, Edmund Gwenn, and Belle Chrysalis, the latter a little girl from Lancashire, I think you will admit that the story is intriguing and it is well worth seeing. If only to see Lancashire folk at home and play and work. (King's).

An all-British picture, with the so-called Marie Dressler of the English stage, Maisie Gay as general servant in an amusing comedy "To Oblige a Lady." Edgar Wallace wrote the story, if that is recommendation, and there is a song sung by the leading lady, written by Noel Coward. I hear there are some hilarious situations and sparkling dialogue. Due at the Queen's.

In "Cock o' the Air," there is not much plot, but we have Chester Morris and the beautiful Billie Dove. Produced in a sumptuous manner by United Artists. Worth seeing. (Central).

Bill Boyd the battling blond, gives a fine performance in "Suicide Fleet," a thrilling submarine drama coming shortly to the Central.

Clifford Mollison and Dodo Watts in the British picture idea of the old-time bed-room farce, called

"Almost a Honeymoon." Followed by Lupe Velez and Monte Blue in a romance of the Canadian Mounted Police. "Tiger Rose"—coming to the Star.

In "The Cuban Love Song," the golden voice of Lawrence Tibbett makes cheap popular music into art, combined with the acting ability of Lupe Velez, who, although a little more restrained than usual is still like a hot tamale when it comes to the passionate love scenes. We have the Cuban background with its colour and noise, and it makes a perfect setting for the romance of the little pea-nut vendor and laughing, singing American Marine. Jimmy Durante, not quite such a fat part, but still funny, assisted by our old friend Ernest Torrence, with Karen Morley, that young girl who is going far in films, helping to make this a worth-while film. Not to be missed. (Queen's).

"Girls about Town" is a smart comedy, but don't take the kiddies. Kay Francis and Lilyan Tashman, as two colourful ladies, overshadow the male element in the cast. Joel McCrea and Eugene Pallette are both good, but the two shameless ladies of leisure, who make five hundred an evening entertaining the mercantile firms, steal the picture. Of course, there is lively conversation, with gowns and parties that crowd out the story, but who cares, we have the lovely Kay and Lilyan. Good enough for me any time. Coming to the King's.

"77 Park Lane," with Dennis Neilson-Terry and the pretty Australian girl, Betty Stockfeld. British production, so do your stuff by the old country and wend your way to see this thriller at the Central. I certainly like the finished polished manner of the son of those famous parents. You remember how we used to thrill over the adventures of that pair, Julia Neilson Terry, and husband Fred in "The Scarlet Pimpernel." That son has inherited their talent. (Central).

The best British talkie so far seen here. "Sunshine Susie" with Renate Muller, Owen Nares and Jack Hulbert. This is being revived at popular request, I need say no more. See it again, it is amusing, quite catchy music, (even if the lyrics are piffle) and the acting is delightful. (King's).

Ronald Colman's first part as an American is in "Arrowsmith." This is a great film, the best the star has ever done. After many weeks it is still packing the London Tivoli, and the Press are unanimous that it is exceptional and no one must miss seeing it. Such pictures come but seldom. (Central).

Those who saw "Charlie Chan Carries On" will revel in another of his adventures. We find Warner Oland as the crafty Oriental at his best in "The Black Camel," which is the story of the murder of a noted moving picture artist. We have the glamorous background of Hawaii, plenty of plot, and an especially charming performance from the star. This is definitely one of the better pictures. (King's).

Phillips Holmes is showing signs of over-work. It would be better for his admirers if he fell in love, he might show some signs of being interested in life. In "Two Kinds of Women," he is the typical blase New York play-boy. Miriam Hopkins does as much as she can with her part, but Wynne Gibson surely steals the picture. In her drunk scene. There is nothing uncommon about the story, but I enjoyed it, and you have to hand it to Paramount for recording, mounting and photographing. Coming to the King's.

Noel Coward's famous comedy "Private Lives," with Norma Shearer and Robert Montgomery doing grand work. Witty, brilliant, sparkling and perfectly acted. Also Norma singing "Someday I'll Find

EMPIRE SUNDAY.

Broadcast of Parade
Service.

By special arrangement the Empire Sunday Parade Service for the Troops in the Cathedral at 9.15 a.m. on Sunday next will be broadcast by Z.B.W. The senior Chaplain to the Forces, C. of E.—the Rev. J. N. Lewis Bryan, B.A., will conduct the service, and will take as the subject of the address—"The Ideals and Responsibilities of Empire."

As this is the first occasion that a Parade Service has been broadcast in the Colony, it is hoped that it may be of interest to those outside of Service circles.

The Service is open to the Public, in limited numbers, and they are asked to be in the Cathedral by 9.05 a.m. so that seating may be arranged.

The Band of the 1st Bn. The South Wales Borderers, under Bandmaster Geeks will play throughout the Service.

Hymn: "O God Our Help in Ages Past."

Prayers.

Venite.

Lesson.

Benedictus.

Credo.

Prayers.

Hymn: "Jesu, Lover of My Soul."

Address.

Hymn: "Kipling's Recessional."

National Anthem.

Benediction.

Voluntary: "Land of Hope and Glory."

The collection will be divided between Earl Haig's Memorial Workshops, and the C.M.S. Home for Orphans, Kowloon.

JOBLESS DEMONSTRATE IN
WELLINGTON.

Wellington, N.Z., May 11.
From three to four thousand jobless men, dissatisfied with the system of the dole, held a monster meeting near the Parliament building. About 50 demonstrators paraded through the streets and along the waterfront, breaking shop windows. Many arrests were made.

Put it on your list.
Queen's).

I HEAR THAT—

Film fans are going British. In 1928 a big Competition was held all over the British Isles. Ronald Colman headed as favourite. In 1932, he still heads it. But, instead of being followed by Fairbanks etc., he is followed by two more Britishers, Clive Brook and George Arliss, and Robert Montgomery.

Two Canadians head the list of favourite actresses. Norma Shearer and Marie Dressler, followed by Constance Bennett and Ruth Chatterton.

Warner Bros will make fifty per cent. of their new release in England. Their biggest star, George Arliss is shortly going back to his homeland.

Leslie Howard will make "Animal Kingdom," the highly successful stage play, into a film with Anne Harding as leading lady. A good break for Anne.

Kay Johnson will return to the screen in support of the newly acquired Columbia star, Walter Huston. Constance Cummings and Edmund Lowe are being co-starred in "Criminal Court."

Leslie Fenton, young English actor who recently ran away and married Anne Dvorak, is being sued for breach of promise by a chorus girl.

Sylvia Sydney has at last bobbed her hair.

Rex Ingram, the famous director of "The Four Horsemen" has finally adopted the Mussulman faith. He still remains married to Alice Terry, but they occupy separate villas in Nice.

Adrienne Allen seen here recently in "Black Coffee" has made a big success on Broadway in "Cynara," and Paramount have signed her to a long-term contract. Charles Bickford and Paul Lukas share in the leads with Tallulah Bankhead in "Thunder Below." Ralph Forbes and Leslie Fenton are also in the cast.

British films are more than holding their own in London. Jack Buchanan's newest "Good-night Vienna" is sharing honours with "Shanghai Express" and "Hell Diver." Ralph Lynn's films are a riot these days. Winifred Shorter has made up her mind to return from married life in West Africa, and share again in Tom Walls and Lynn's successes.

Garry Cooper was seen practising golf the other day at Kensington. Looks well and bronzed after his trip to East Africa.

Pearl White the famous serial star is now living happily in Egypt.



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Lord Brougham, she said, who was not a Spiritualist, agreed with a friend, who went to India, that whoever died first should visit the other. On the day that the friend died in India, some years later, Lord Brougham saw him sitting on a chair by his side.

Sir William Crookes, Mrs. De Crespigny continued, devoted four years to experimenting in spiritualism, and he did not turn it down. Sir Oliver Lodge had given instance after instance of what had happened to him. Most of the scientists who were against survival had never investigated it.

day she was informed that her husband had appeared to a medium and desired a message to be sent to Mrs. de Crespigny assuring her that it was he who came to her on the previous day. On another occasion, said Mrs. de Crespigny, she received a Spiritualistic message from an Army officer stating that he had died in France, and asking that

his wife should be informed at an address which the spirit gave. Mr. A. D. Howell Smith, opposing the theory of survival, said that we had not come to the end of our knowledge. We were on the shores of a boundless sea, and we should proceed with the utmost caution, testing and retesting our hypotheses and making sure of our facts.

Consciousness grew with the brain, varied with the brain, and was conditioned by the brain. There were different types or consciousness and brain, and there was the remarkable phenomenon of dual personality. If Lord Brougham did actually see his friend at the moment of his death, there were two possible explanations—coincidence and telepathy.

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BLAZING OF NEW AIR
TRAIL.Aeroplane Reaches
Tsingtao En Route
To Tientsin.

Tsingtao, May 12.
Blazing a new trail to the North, the plane Wuchang of the China National Aviation Corporation, arrived here from Haichow at noon yesterday. This morning she continued on her trial flight to Tientsin.

Carrying five persons, all officials and engineers of the Corporation, the Wuchang, piloted by Captain Allison, left Shanghai last Monday. Stopping at Nanking and Haichow, the plane stayed overnight in each city so as to make fuller investigation of the Shanghai-Tientsin air mail and passenger service.

22 PERSONS KILLED BY INDIAN
TORNADO.

Calcutta, May 11.
It is reported that the number of victims caused by the terrible tornado which swept in the Mythen area yesterday, is estimated at 22 killed and about 100 injured.

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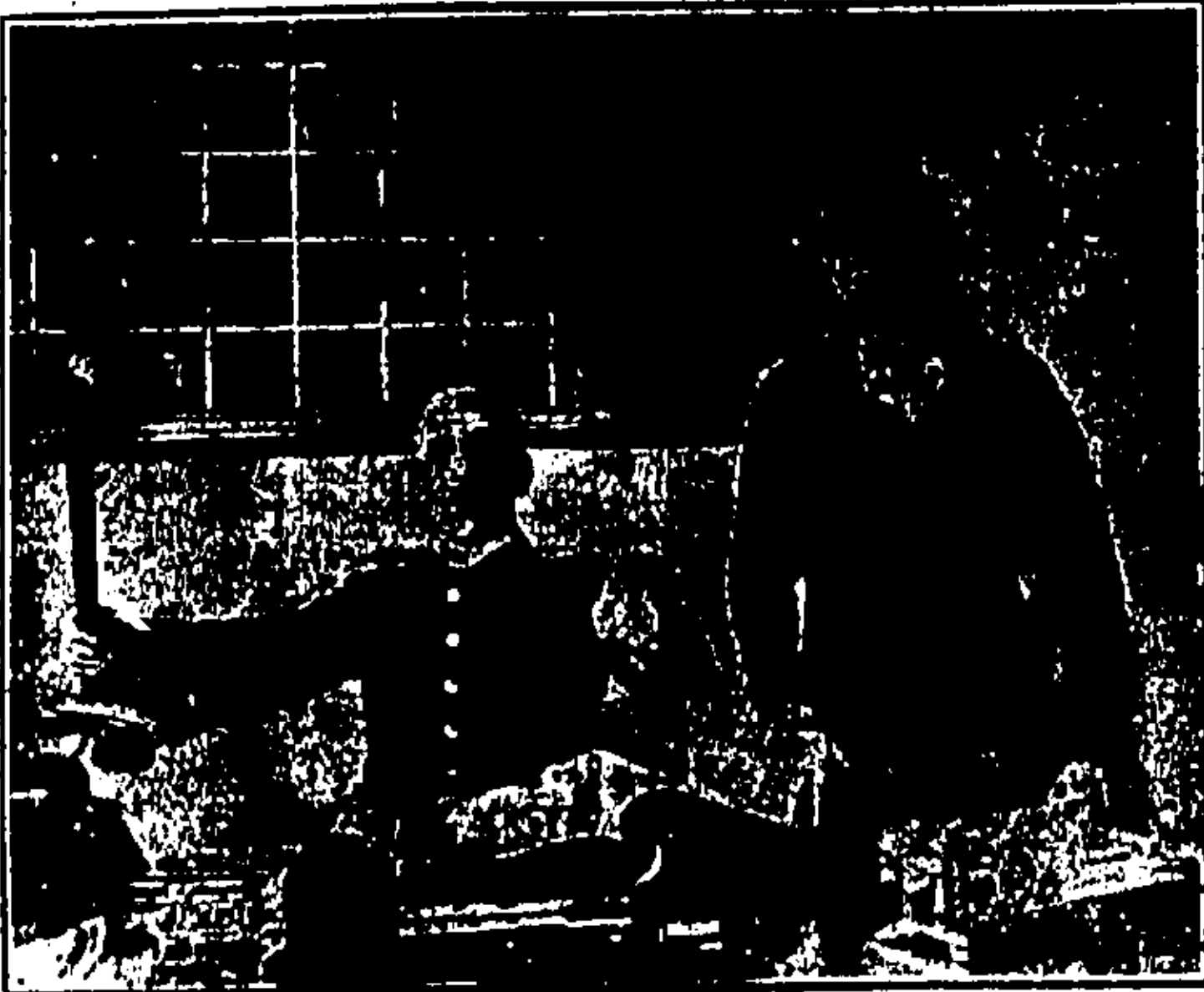
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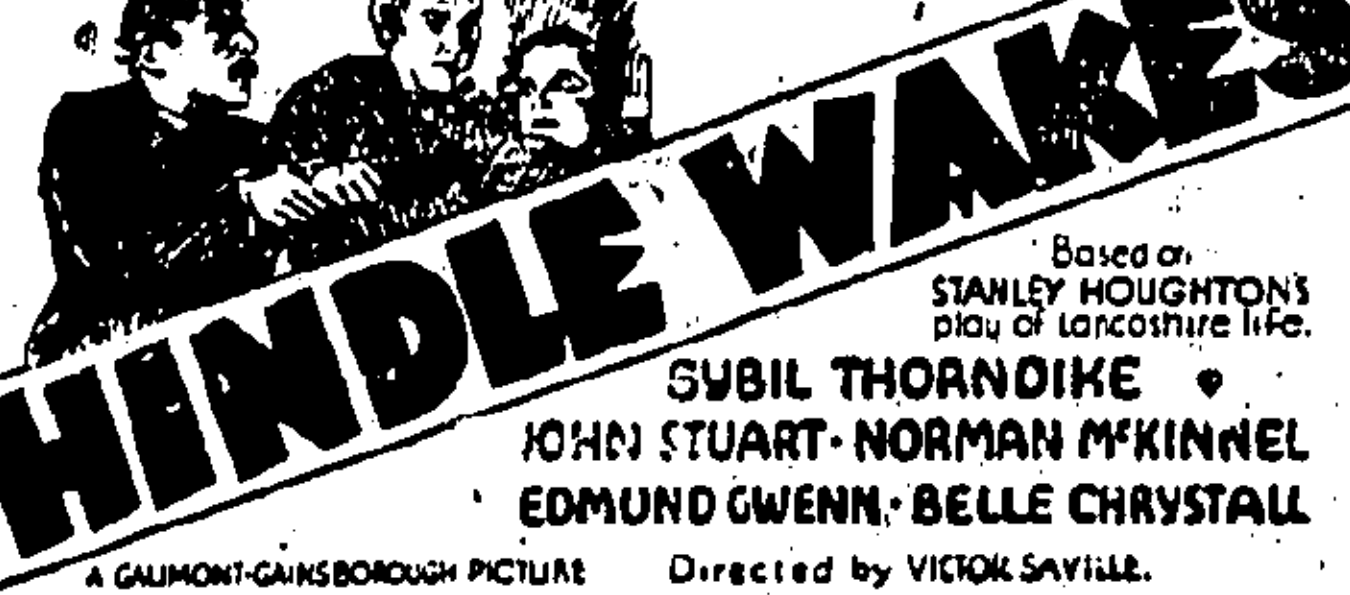


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THE NEW CONSTITUTION

London, Yesterday.

"There is no doubt that the dominant feeling in India to-day is that the Government and Parliament should come to decisions about the new constitution with the least possible delay," declared Lord Lothian, Chairman of the Indian Finance Committee, to-day.

"What people want in India to-day," he added, "British business men and Civil Servants no less than Indians themselves, is to know where they are."

Lord Lothian, Chairman of the Indian Finance Committee, reaches England to-day, having travelled from India by Air. He referred in a statement to the interest which the various committee appointed after the Round Table Conference had aroused in India and paid tribute to the co-operation and friendliness displayed towards the members.

Lively Interest.

He added: "Indian public opinion has certainly taken a most lively interest in our proceedings and will take a not less lively or controversial interest in our proposals when they are published early next month."

"There is no doubt that the

dominant feeling in India to-day is the desire that Government and Parliament should come to decisions about the new constitution with the least possible delay. During the last four years committees have been touring India and conferences have been held in England on every aspect of new constitution.

What people in India want to-day, British business men and civil servants no less than Indians themselves, is to know where they are. The sooner decisions can be taken, if possible agreed decisions and action taken upon these decisions, the better will India be pleased and the sooner will political conditions settle down.—British Wireless Service.

NEW POLICE STATION.

Commodious Building
at Wanchai.

FIRST OFFENDERS.

Police at Wanchai yesterday moved into their new building on the water front in Gloucester Road. Three storeys high, it is very modern, and provides good accommodation for the staff. The officer in charge is Acting Inspector J. McClelland.

The first offenders to be charged in the new Charge Room, were two Chinese men, Tang Ping (29) and Wong Sing (22), for the theft of two pairs of clippers from a Chinese barber's shop in Cross Street.

The defendants were brought before Mr. Schofield in the Central Court this morning, and were remanded to Monday.

BOMBAY FRACAS.

Police Forced to Fire
on Rioters.

Bombay, Yesterday.

Already six people have been killed and 80 injured to-day in the continued rioting, the scene of which has shifted to the Parel area where fierce communal battles occurred in the mill area in which there is a predominantly Hindu population.

The trouble started when Hindu mill workers assaulted a party of Mohammedan pedestrians, killing one.

Forty mills have closed and fifty mill workers have been arrested. The police were forced to fire on the rioters once this morning.

Refugees in Poona.

Poona, Yesterday.
Hundreds of refugees are arriving from Bombay on every train. Several thousands have crowded into the city since the rioting started and many are being sent to their home villages by special trains.—Reuter.

TROUBLE IN INDIA ON THE WANE.

Looting Checked by
Police.

"ARSENAL" FOUND IN
BAKER'S CART.

Hindu Masquerader
Gets a Hiding.

Bombay, Yesterday.

In spite of this morning's fresh outbreak of rioting, there are signs that the trouble is ending. Meanwhile the Police, though exhausted by three days' continuous duty, are still coping with the trouble, and such was exemplified by the finding of an arsenal, weapons being transported in the guise of a consignment of loaves.

The weapons consisted of an assorted stock of clasp knives, daggers and hatchets, and were being driven in a baker's cart by a Mohammedan dressed as a Hindu, who, when discovered, was nearly beaten to death. The City at present is quiet and all attempts at looting have been promptly checked.—Reuter.

WORK FOR 6,000.

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BENEFIT TO INDUSTRY.

London, Yesterday.

At the annual sales meeting of the International Refrigerator Company to-day it was announced that British Thomson Houston electric refrigerators, which hitherto have been imported from America, will now be manufactured in England at the British Thomson Houston works at Rugby. The estimated development will provide work for another 6,000 hands at the factory, which already gives employment, directly or indirectly, to a large proportion of the population of Rugby.

British industry will benefit by the increase in the use of raw materials, especially steel and expenditure will be involved in the production of new tools.

The additional current, which will be required is one million units annually.

New Enterprises.
According to officers of the London Chamber of Commerce, approximately 100 new industrial enterprises have been started in Britain in the past few months. The factories include old premises taken over and new ones built.

About a dozen of them have been initiated by British firms which have begun to manufacture goods, formerly imported, and the remainder by foreign firms which think it desirable to start production here. More than half the new factories are within 50 miles of London.

Among the nations concerned are Germany (27), Holland (15) United States (15), Belgium (8), Switzerland (4), France (2), Czechoslovakia (2), Australia (2) Denmark (1).—British Wireless Service.

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